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U.S. Senate approves sending technicians

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

The Senate approved by a large margin a resolution to approve the sending of up to 200 American technicians to man surveillance stations in the Sinai passes. The vote of 70 to 18 completed Congressional action on the proposal.

The Senate-approved resolution was identical with a House version approved by a vote of 341 to 69, thus obviating the threat of Senate amendments which would have required sending the two measures to conferences committee and created further delays.

Israel, which had made its signing of the second Sinai interim accord contingent on Congressional approval of the technicians proposal, promptly signed the accord in a brief ceremony in Jerusalem. Egypt had signed the agreement in Geneva in September but Israel only initialed the agreement, postponing a full signature pending Congressional action on the technicians.

Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, commander of United Nations Forces in the Middle East, welcomed the signing, which took place at the UN headquarters in Jerusalem. He expressed satisfaction that the agreement had finally been approved.

Another condition Israel had attached to implementation was Egyptian approval for passage of Israeli cargoes through the Suez Canal as agreed to in the new accord.

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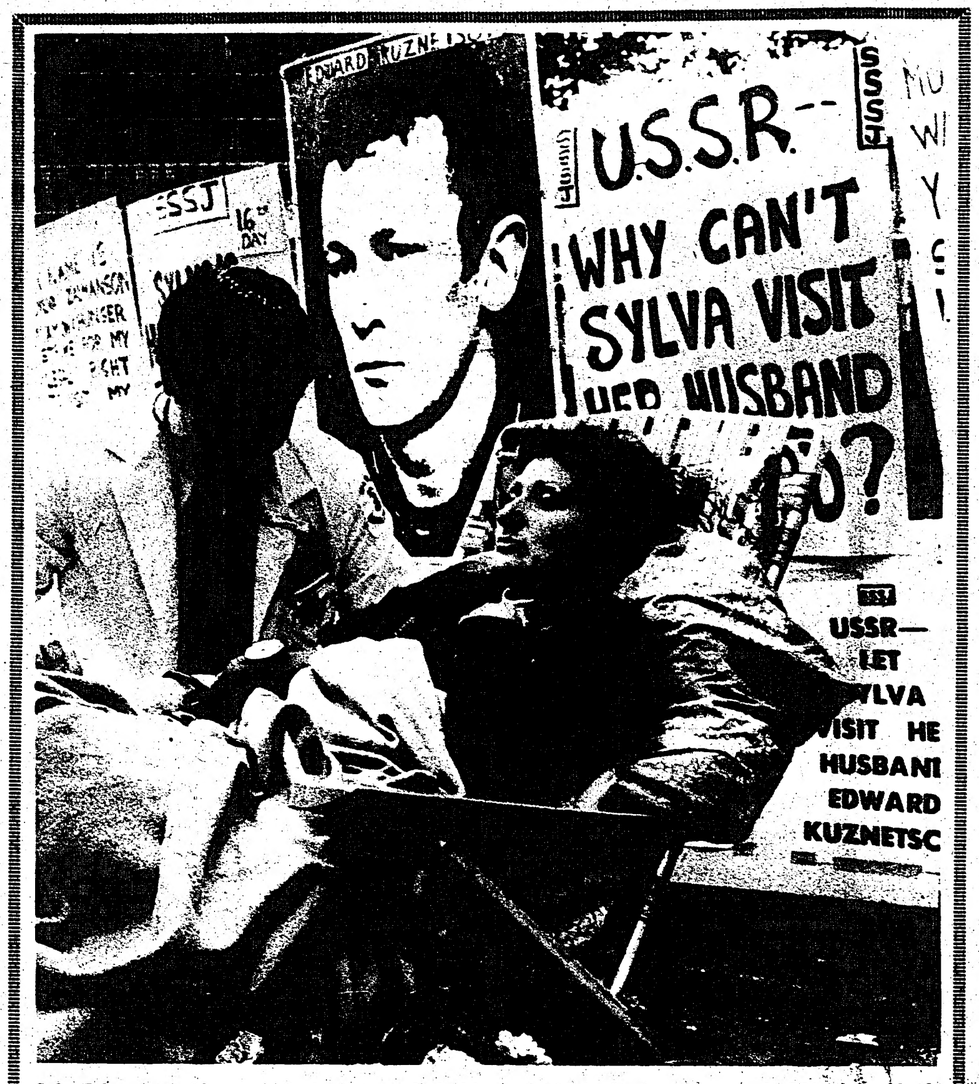

Sylva Zalmanson, a 30-year-old Soviet woman who had been on a 15-day hunger strike near the UN, has her blood pressure checked by Dr. Allen Bernett of Beth Israel Hospital. Shortly after, she collapsed and was taken to the hospital after receiving word that the Soviets had turned down her pleas to visit her husband in a USSR prison. Ms. Zalmanson was released from prison in 1974. Her husband's sentence runs for another 10 years. (RNS photo)

'As Israel goes, so goes civilization'

Armageddon may be our fate: Givens

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO —

Unless the world acts with wisdom and understanding during the next few critical decades, the Middle East may be the locale of the mythical Armageddon — the final battle between the forces of good and evil.

With this projection, Phil Givens told a large audience at Adath Israel Synagogue last week that "as Israel goes, so goes civilization."

Israel, he maintains, is the linchpin holding the free world together. Should its existence be nullified, not only will Diaspora Jewry suffer, but the Mideast will be the site of a major U.S.-Soviet imbroglio which will alter the face of the world.

Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation and recently-elected MPP for Armourdale, was the kick-off speaker in Adath Israel's eight-week lecture series on the Mideast. He addressed himself to the topic "Israel, the Jewish People and the World."

Although hopeful that the recent Sinai pact will precipitate a lasting diplomatic accord, Givens painted a dark picture of American and Russian involvement — "two great empires glowering at each other over an area rich in strategic importance and oil.

"We are witnessing a titanic struggle between the Soviet Union and the United States," he said. "The U.S. is trying to forge a tier of nations — Egypt, Israel, Jordan and Saudia Arabia...(while) Syria, Iraq and Libya are being welded into a formidable unit by the Soviet Union."

Reviewing current Mideast events, Givens illustrated this point to the attentive gathering in the synagogue's main sanctuary. The disengagement accord has allied Egypt with the U.S., he claimed. Saudia Arabia's behavior at the recent OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) conference has also indicated her unwillingness to side with her Arab cousins in demanding oil price hikes offensive to Western interests. (The Saudis pushed for a 5% increase, in comparison with OPEC's decision in favor of a 10% hike.)

Civil strife in Lebanon, Givens added, is being fueled by the Soviets in an attempt to add that nation to its sphere of influence.

"If Israel goes," he said emphatically, "the Soviet Union will set its stamp upon the entire Mideast."

He continued, with gloomy prognostications, to describe a world dominated by the USSR which would secure control of oil, and, with that power, North American civilization.

"Looming in the background," he added, "is that colossus of the east, China... If world peace breaks down we will witness a disastrous confrontation between China and the Soviet Union."

Givens emphasized that his crystal ball predictions were not merely a grim chapter of science fiction. Reflecting on similar "dark ages" of history, he commented that "the democratic world is shrinking every day as more nations fall under the web of communism."

He again returned to the significance of Israel in "providing the proving ground by which the will of the world will be tested...its willingness to make sacrifices for freedom."

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Granovsky chosen to head UIA

UIA President P. Granovsky

MONTREAL —

At the annual meeting of the United Israel Appeal of Canada in Montreal last week, Phil Granovsky, outstanding Jewish leader from Toronto, was elected president of the body.

Granovsky was president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, co-chairman of the National Budgeting Conference and has served on the executive of the UIA for many years. He succeeds Thomas O. Hecht of Montreal, who served as UIA president for two years and at the annual meeting was elected chairman of the board of directors.

Joseph Lunenfeld of Toronto was named eastern deputy president and Murray Tapper of Winnipeg, western deputy president.

In his presidential report, out-going president, Thomas Hecht indicated that UIA campaign receipts and cash flow in 1975 are running well ahead of 1974. He called upon the Canadian Jewish community to unite as never before on Israel's behalf and expressed the view that Canadian Jewry will be in the forefront in the struggle for a secure Jewish state.

At the meeting, it was announced that a youth village in Israel will be built to bear the name of Mrs. Allen Small of Toronto, who was the first national chairman for the UIA women's division in Canada, and a project will also be built to mark the two year presidency of Hecht.

Among other officers are: Simon Cobrin and Mrs. Kappy Flanders of Montreal and Dr. Ralph Halbert of Toronto; Martin Levine of Montreal, treasurer; Samuel Taylor of Hamilton, associate treasurer; Morrie Latchman of Toronto, secretary and Dr. Gerald Halbert of Toronto, associate secretary.

Change in Mideast policy is seen in Canada's move to forego abstention at UN

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
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OTTAWA —

Canada will vote against a United Nations resolution condemning genocide, racism and Zionism — a move which may indicate a switch in this country's Mideast policy. In the past, Canada has abstained on UN votes involving the Mideast, if the resolution contained elements she favored as well as those she opposed.

Canada's stand on the resolution was revealed to a Canada-Israel Committee delegation which met External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen last week as part of a continuing series of dialogues with him. The 11-member group was headed by CIC chairman Aaron Pollack of Montreal.

An Arab-sponsored amendment adding Zionism to a UN Committee on Human Rights resolution condemning genocide and racism, led to Canada's decision to vote 'no.' The vote was supposed to take place last week, but was postponed. Indications are that Canada's decision helped lead Western European countries to a similar stand to switch their votes from 'yes' to 'no.'

Also under discussion at the meeting here was the Arab boycott. According to CIC director Myer Bick, his organization urged that a firm, categorical statement be issued by the government completely rejecting the boycott and its ramifications in Canada.

In a written memorandum, the CIC recommended that "it may be useful for an amendment to be introduced to the Foreign Investment Review Act which would require to be made public all companies and principals which seek to establish a new business or take over an existing one."

The CIC also urged appropriate legislation and/or amendments to be introduced which would require Canadian companies to report to an appropriate ministry any request for compliance to the Arab boycott or adherence to discriminatory provisions.

Besides dealing with the Sinai Accord, the CIC and MacEachen discussed the Palestinian situation at length, and the group reviewed its position on the PLO.

The PLO remains an organization committed to Israel's destruction through terrorism and as long as this position remains, Canada should oppose them and prevent them from getting legitimacy in the international arena, said the CIC.

The Jewish body expressed the hope Canada "will consider prohibiting entry of PLO representatives for any reason, including participation at next year's Habitat conference. Though a UN conference, Canada retains her own sovereign authority to determine who may or may not enter our country.

"As the government's decision on the crime conference served to preclude the PLO from entering Canada, we hope that the same good sense will prevail again."

It also urged that Canada should do all in its power to ensure that partisan and extraneous political matter will not be introduced into discussions at Habitat '76. The CIC has yet to determine its tactics regarding Habitat. Canada has said it will definitely host the conference.

Besides Pollack and Bick, other members of the CIC delegation were: Milton Harris Flicht and Herb Levy, Toronto; Hy Soloway and Howard Stanislawski, Ottawa; Larry Herbert of Vancouver and Irwin Cotler, Alan Rose and Leon Kronitz, Montreal.

Toronto's first community-owned cemetery is formally dedicated

TORONTO —

Pardes Shalom, Toronto's first Jewish community-owned cemetery, was formally dedicated this week at a ceremony atop a grassy hill on the site on North Dufferin St.

Sidney Freedman, president of Toronto Hebrew Memorial Park, which will operate the cemetery, said the concept of a community-owned burial ground is new for Toronto and that it is dedicated "with devotion and respect to the diverse elements in our community... No matter what differences separate us, we are here, united and devoted to each other's welfare."

Freedman said that planning a cemetery is "an ancient and noble process of remembering and honoring past generations.

"We are creating a bridge for the future," he continued, "for among our people there is a powerful longing to keep our path and our purpose in being a people...as being rooted and strengthened in the achievements and examples of ageless generations long gone."

Maintaining a consecrated ground is historically deemed a solemn obligation, he said and is an honor and blessing to those who perpetuate the names and memories of our forefathers.

Freedman said that Toronto has had over 100 cemetery organizations, some functioning and some defunct. These organizations embraced social societies, burial societies, landsmanshaften, religious organizations, brotherhoods and many others — all maintaining their own burial grounds.

But changing times call for a new approach and the community-owned cemetery, to serve all segments, is the logical development, he said.

He emphasized, however, that the various organizations will still be able to designate their own sections in Pardes Shalom and each section will be consecrated separately by and for the mini-community that subscribes to it.

"All, from our revered Orthodox brethren, to our esteemed Conservative and Reform congregations will have the right to their own religious customs and practices within the general operating rules as laid down by the Province of Ontario."

Information will be available shortly as to the price of lots and, when the cemetery will be in use. The operating rules and regulations will be published "so that the community may know precisely what is involved," said Freedman.

About 50% of the property will be retained in perpetuity as a park, he said, expressing the hope that this area will be dedicated in memory of countless Jewish martyrs, "so many millions of whom lie in unmarked and unknown graves scattered across the continents."

Others taking part in the dedication ceremony were Jack M. Rose, president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund; Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, and Robert Eisen.

Founding organizations of the cemetery include Adath Israel Congregation, Beth Tikvah Congregation, Judean Benevolent & Friendly Society, Temple Emanu-El, Temple Sinai and the United Jewish Welfare Fund.

Dayan pessimistic over latest accord encouraging peace in Middle East

By S.K. LAZAROV

TORONTO —

Moshe Dayan, on the last leg of a North American college tour, told an audience here last week that he is against the new Sinai disengagement accord because Syria and Russia were excluded from Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy.

Although the former Israeli defence minister called the pact "better than no agreement at all," Dayan expressed pessimism as to whether the latest accord will advance the cause of peace in the Middle East.

Speaking to a largely Jewish audience of 1,500 at University of Toronto's Convocation Hall, Dayan criticized the agreement because it did not end the state of belligerency between Israel and Egypt and left the Jewish state in a military weaker position.

In a rambling 35-minute address, and in a subsequent question-and-answer period, Dayan documented the role of the Soviet Union in the Middle East since the Six Day War and defended himself against persistent charges that he was one of the persons responsible for the setbacks suffered by Israel in the early stages of the Yom Kippur War.

Dayan's talk was not interrupted by anti-Israel hecklers, but the Maoist Ad Hoc Committee To Support The Just Struggle Of The Palestinians And Other Arab Peoples staged an orderly demonstration outside Convocation Hall a half-hour before the general was due to speak.

Twenty five members of the group, carrying placards, red flags and red and gold banners, chanted pro-Palestinian slogans as they marched in a circle. The placards read: "Down with U.S.-Israeli Aggression" and "Victory to the PLO." Intermittently, they intoned slogans such as "Zionist Dayan, Get Out Of Canada!," "Death To Zionism" and "Long Live The Unity Between The Canadian and Arab Peoples."

Dayan, probably unaware of the demonstrators, began his speech 30 minutes behind schedule. As he was led to the stage by a phalanx of security men, he almost tripped on one of the steps. Normally photographed in white open-necked shirts and nondescript pants, Dayan wore a staid blue business suit, a brown polka dot tie and a white shirt. He resembled a cautious bookkeeper rather than a legendary general or dashing man-about-town.

In an analysis of big power involvement in the Middle East, Dayan said that while the U.S. desires an end to the conflict, this was "not exactly the case" for the Soviet Union, "which lives off the blood" of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

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Merger constitution to be shown Nov. 16

TORONTO —

A joint committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, and the Toronto United Jewish Welfare Fund will present the draft constitution on Nov. 16 of their new organization. The two bodies earlier this year approved the principle of re-structuring or partial merger after months of often heated debate.

A 14-member (seven from each organization) committee headed by Herb Solway has been meeting for six weeks in order to draft the constitution which will be presented to a CJC Regional Council made up of current members of Congress Regional Council, plus those members of the UJWF board of directors not already on that body.

If the constitution is approved, then there will be the first annual meeting of the new body, the Toronto Jewish Congress, at which time elections will take place. Leaders hope the new organization will be fully operational in January.

Jordan less oppressive than Syria — 'my taxi driver even spoke Hebrew'

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
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AMMAN, Jordan —

Laden with heavy baggage, I emerged from the bus in downtown Amman, glad that I was no longer in Syria.

The atmosphere in King Hussein's pleasant hilly capital was perceptively less oppressive than in Damascus. In a sense, I almost felt perfectly at home here. And, contrary to what I had heard, Amman was not just an overgrown village but a bustling city.

It was good to be in Jordan because I had left Syria under some duress and with the impression that I was a persona non-grata. Having angered the Syrians with my questions and my views, I was plagued by an uneasy feeling during the six-hour bus ride from Damascus to Amman that I might be yanked off the vehicle at any moment for any number of fantastic reasons.

Relieved to be in Amman, I confided to the taxi driver that I prefered Jordan to Syria. He asked me where I was off to. "Israel," I replied.

"Do you speak Hebrew?"

I did not hesitate to say yes. In Syria, I did not reveal my knowledge of Hebrew so readily.

And so, for the next 15 minutes, in the heart of Amman, he and I gleefully conversed in Hebrew. He disclosed he had been born in Jerusalem and had worked for a Jewish shopkeeper from whom he had learned the language.

When he pulled up at the Philadelphia Hotel, where I was due to stay, he continued to chatter in Hebrew much to the chagrin of the porter who exclaimed: "Hebrew is for Jews...!"

Quickly reverting to inoffensive English, the driver cracked a few jokes to relieve the tension, and pressed a ball of paper into my palm. In lowered tones, he explained that it was for Israeli Defence Minister Shimon Peres, with whom I had told him I had an appointment. (The interview never materialized. Peres was too busy negotiating with the Americans on the second-stage Sinai interim accord.)

"I want to return to Jerusalem," he said quietly but desperately. "It will always be my only home."

I promised to do whatever I could to convey his message.

I never saw the driver again. He was supposed to have driven me to the Allenby Bridge the following morning, but he did not appear at the appointed hour.

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It is a half-hour's drive to the famous bridge spanning the Jordan River. The two-lane road from Amman winds past yellow scrub fields, groves of cypresses in an otherwise bleak landscape, grazing sheep and army camps filled with trucks and jeeps.

As the mountain road dips into the Jordan Valley, the humid heat begins to take its toll on your vitality. The car whizzes past banana plantations in el Shuna, scene of vicious armed confrontations between the Israeli army and Palestinian irregulars between 1968 and 1970.

We stop near a series of wooden makeshift buildings where long, uneven lines of Arabs wait to be processed by Jordanian customs officials. Since the Six Day War, when Israel established its "open bridges" policy, the flow of human and material traffic between the Jewish state and Jordan has been unimpeded. Hundreds of thousands of Arabs have crossed the Allenby Bridge to see their relatives or friends on the West Bank or in Israel itself, in spite of war.

Porters clad in sweaty turbans and long robes haul my baggage atop a decrepit bus, which lurches forward after a passport check. I talk to an Arab from Nablus who tells me he studies in Beirut but works in a Tel Aviv factory during the summer.

Minutes, later, the bus rumbles across the amazingly narrow bridge to the Israeli-held West Bank, a hot, sun-baked region.

My odyssey to the Arab world is over.

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World News

A suitcase full of explosives was discovered last week at Lod Airport. By a miracle, the suitcase did not explode. Police are investigating how the baggage was brought into the terminal. (IPPA photo)

UN row continues over Amin's speech

WASHINGTON [JCNS] — The row at the United Nations over the speech by President Amin of Uganda and the subsequent American criticism of it, has continued. Daniel Moynihan, the American permanent representative, who was strongly criticized by the African nations for describing President Amin as "a racist murderer," hit out again, this time at the non-democratic countries at the UN.

In such countries, he told a group of American editors, the opposition was seen as "people who want to kill you," and governments felt they had to kill them first. Moynihan especially referred to Tanzania as a country where there was no legislative body in which there was a right to express disagreement.

The row began when the Ugandan President called for the extinction of Israel and attacked the United States.

Clarence Mitchell, a Black member of the American delegation, who also criticized the Amin speech, said last night again that Amin's speech accusing the U.S. of being colonized by Zionists, the call for Israel's extermination and his description of the situation of the American Blacks were "insulting and ludicrous."

They were, Mitchell said, the type of comments used through the centuries to persecute minorities, particularly the Jews.

Moynihan was also blunt. He told the editors: "We are not here to hear totalitarian dictators lecture us on how to run a democracy and have the American people slandered."

President Ford was reported to be supporting Moynihan's denunciation of Amin and the statement by Mitchell that Amin's speech was "an affront to millions of citizens of the United States." Presidential press secretary Ron Nessen said Ford believed both statements "needed to be said."

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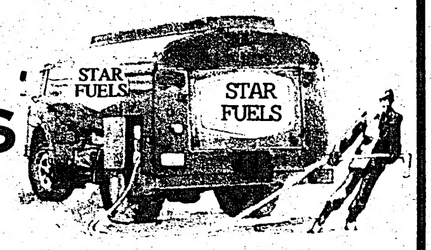

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Presidents Conference 'ineffective'

CHICAGO [JTA] — The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations was sharply criticized by Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein and Philip M. Klutznick during the final business session of the Zionist Organization of America's 78th annual national convention here. Rabbi Sternstein, the ZOA president re-elected to a second term, concurred with Klutznick's charge that the Presidents Conference, which Klutznick helped found, was no longer effective.

Klutznick, chairman of the governing board of the World Jewish Congress, a former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and one of the first chairmen of the Presidents Conference said it should be replaced by a new group that was "more reflective of the mood and sense of American Jews." He told the 1,500 convention delegates that what was needed was "an independent American Jewish voice not constrained by the Israel government, as is the case now with the Presidents Conference."

Sternstein charged later in the session that the Presidents Conference had failed recently to rally American Jews against U.S. moves that forced Israel to accept what he termed "the one-sided and discriminatory" interim agreements with Egypt in Sinai. He pledged that the ZOA would not be "guided by counsels of timidity or the silence of other organizations in coping with the emergencies or crises affecting the economic viability or political and military security of Israel."

Reacting to Sternstein's and Klutznick's statements Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, told the JTA in New York "the real issue at stake is the question of who determines the foreign policy of the sovereign state of Israel and the security of her people. I believe that responsibility for the crucial decisions on territories, borders, and relations with the surrounding Arab states rightfully belongs to the democratically elected representatives of the citizens of Israel, who live in the land and send their sons and daughters to defend it."

Labor confident Almogi will be WZO chairman, also of Jewish Agency

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Labor Party circles claim the election of Haifa Mayor Yosef Almogi to the chairmanship of the World Zionist Organization was a virtual certainty. Although the Labor Party Leadership Bureau so far has not formally endorsed Almogi as a candidate, it is expected to do so at a meeting later this week.

Meanwhile, the Laborites said they have been assured of sufficient support in the 110-member Zionist General Council to guarantee Almogi's election when the Council meets in January. They said that in that case, his election to the chairmanship of the Jewish Agency Executive would follow automatically when the Jewish Agency General Assembly convenes next summer.

Observers here believe the election of Almogi, who faces strong opposition from Jewish Agency treasurer and acting chairman Leon Dulzin, would hinge on the votes of the World Confederation of General Zionists and the Mizrachi. Premier Yitzhak Rabin met with Confederation leaders here, among them Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson and Ezra Shapiro. No details of the meeting were disclosed but the participants did not deny that the chairmanship of the Jewish Agency and WZO, vacant since the death of Pinhas Sapir last August, was discussed.

The breakdown of votes in the Zionist General Council is as follows: Labor 32; Mapam 7; Zionist Confederation, 20; Mizrachi, 18; World Union of General Zionists, 16; Herut, 10; Independent Liberals, 3; WIZO, 4.

Plan information centre for European communities

LONDON [JCNS] — Chief rabbis, other rabbonim and lay leaders from Europe, Eire and Britain gathered at Jews' College, London, and agreed to set up a consultative body and centre of information here which will be at the disposal of all European Jewish communities. The centre will help to stengthen shechita and assist in problems of shechita defence, particularly those arising from directives issued by the EEC in Brussels.

The conference was arranged by the National Council of Shechita Boards of Great Britain, and was described by Chief Rabbi Immanuel Jakobovits of Britain as "epoch-making."

The centre will act as a clearing-house for information concerning shechita methods and shechita defence. Although the centre will not be an authorized liaison with EEC officials, if requested, it will use its equipment and know-how to come to the aid of any particular community in difficulties.

Through the centre, communities will be kept informed and advised on the effect of any directive from Brussels likely to have an impact on shechita. But the centre will not in any way interfere with the autonomy of any community. Originally the centre was also to have advised on any impact on kashruth that could stem from any EEC directives, and the British chief rabbi hoped that it might lead to the standardization of kashruth throughout Europe.

The emeritus chief rabbi of Britain, Sir-Israel Brodie, who presided, felt kashruth should be left out of the mandate of the centre completely. It was, he suggested, difficult enough to liaise over kashruth particularly in Britain, where one section denigrated the kashruth of another, without endeavoring to standardize all of Europe.

UN body softens anti-Israel stand

PARIS (JCNS) – The executive board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization voted recently to soften the anti-Israel action taken last year.

Sources close to the U.S. UNESCO delegation said that the vote could lead to a move in Congress to release the $22.5 million the United States has been withholding from the organization.

Congress ordered a stoppage of the funds last December, after UNESCO denounced Israel for allegedly damaging Moslem monuments in Jerusalem.

The organization, spurred by its Arab members, also cut off funds for Israeli projects and refused to admit Israel to its European group, in which Israel feels it belongs.

The board voted by 23 to 3, with 3 abstentions, to recommend to the general conference that only the member nations of a geographic group, such as the European unit, be permitted to recommend new members for the group.

In effect, the resolution prevents the Arab nations from making recommendations on which group Israel should enter, and would make it more difficult for the Arabs to block Israeli admission to the European group.

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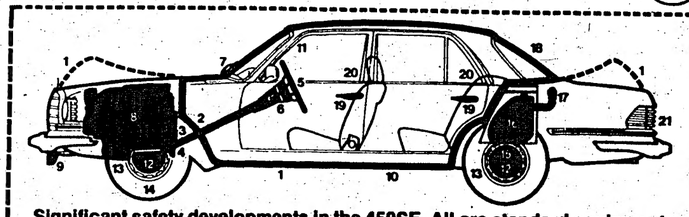

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Refusenik Goldfarb claims the West is losing interest in Soviet immigration

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO — The drop-off in the number of Soviet Jews applying for exit visas is directly related to a growing disinterest in the Western world to the plight of the Refusenik, according to a recent emigre, Alexander Goldfarb.

A 28-year-old molecular biologist living in Israel since May, Goldfarb told a group of Toronto Jews recently that public pressure exerted on Soviet authorities, to which the government is quite sensitive, is the only means of resistance and recourse to the Soviet Jewish emigrant.

While three years ago the case of the Refusenik was a well publicized cause in the Western press and governments, that support has waned considerably, said Goldfarb who is touring Canadian universities under the auspices of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

"In 1972 the pressure was mounting, starting with the general outcry with the Leningrad trial and in the (American) Congress," he told a group of 45 guests at the offices of the Canadian Jewish Congress. "The response of the Soviets to criticism was a positive one." Soviet emigration reached its peak.

"Now, there has been an erosion of this pressure. It is harder to get news of the Jewish problem to the press in the West. They are no longer interested. When information is blocked, the issue will be dead," he said earnestly.

Diminishing support and indifference cut the number of visas granted and discouraged more from applying, he added. Some fear phony charges of "draft evasion"; the academics are concerned about unemployment and professional degradation, he said.

Concurrent with a decline in Western persistence, the Soviets have "felt free to cope with the problem at home," said Goldfarb. Harassment of Jews involved in educational and cultural activities (such as the publication of **Jews in the USSR,** an underground journal), has increased.

The trials of several Refuseniks, in the last six months, although well advertised in the Soviet Union, have attracted very little attention in the West, Goldfarb claimed.

Soviet Jewish scientists, rejected from official Soviet structure, have formed a "scientific seminar" to further unofficial scientific contact. They have persistently been attacked as "criminals and traitors."

Although disappointed with the diffuse moral support from the West, Goldfarb praised highly the efforts of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry which maintains "a life line" for those desiring to emigrate. Canadians have rallied, in public and Parliament, calling for greater communication with Soviet Union on the issue of exit visas, Goldfarb commented.

It is telephone communication and contact with Western tourists which Goldfarb valued as essential in disseminating accurate information about the status of the Soviet Jew to the free world and conversely, offering the Soviet Jew objective information about Diaspora support and life in Israel.

As it stands, the Soviets are consistently presenting distorted information about the Israelis' problems in absorbing its Russian immigrants, in an effort to discourage settlement in that country. In addition, said Goldfarb, Western Jews are unrealistically reluctant to visit the Soviet Union, weakening a vital link in supplying objective commentary.

Goldfarb, working toward his Ph.D in biology at Moscow University, first applied to emigrate to Israel in October, 1973 and was refused under the pretext of security. Like other Refuseniks he found himself "considered unloyal in the Soviet framework," unemployed, his mail intercepted, his phone tapped and his activities under police surveillance.

He became an activist in the underground aliyah movement and with his fluency in English and appealing to a network of colleagues in the international scientific community, he and his wife, Valentina, a biochemist, received permission to emigrate in early 1975.

He arrived in Israel last May and will join the faculty of Hadassah Medical School at the Hebrew University in Jersualem in November, 1975.

While in Canada, he has been appealing to academics on university campuses to focus their attention on the problems facing their Soviet Jewish counterparts.

He addressed groups at York University and the University of Toronto, before leaving for Winnipeg. In Toronto he met with Genya Intrator, vice-chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry who interceded on Goldfarb's behalf by contacting **Nobel laureates and scientists for support.**

Goldfarb also met with the family of Prof. William Shalinsky, of Waterloo University, who along with members of Temple Shalom in Waterloo "adopted" him, sending money and letters of encouragement while he fought for an exit visa.

Alexander Goldfarb (second from right), a recent Soviet emigre now living in Israel, is united with his 'foster family' — the Shalinskys of Waterloo, Ont. From left are Jennifer, Miriam and Bill, a chemistry professor at University of Waterloo. The Shalinskys, along with members of Temple Shalom in Waterloo, helped support Goldfarb while he awaited an exit visa from the Soviet government. (D. Groskind photo)

Noted scholars to discuss Holocaust at University of Toronto lectures

By PROF. LOUIS GREENSPAN

TORONTO — In presenting this series of lectures and seminars on the Holocaust from Oct. 20–23, the Schwartz Committee is aware of the fact that it is a topic to which we have all become, in a certain sense, over-exposed. Who has not seen the frightful pictures from the concentration camps time and again? Who can feel anything but numbness by a further catalogue of Nazi crimes? Is there any point in further rehearsal of the topic? The committee believes that there is, that the seminars that we are sponsoring are new and important.

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We are fortunate to have men of very high calibre. Dr. R. Hillberg, who devoted many years to studying the Nazi death apparatus, will introduce us to historical research on the Holocaust. Dr. Jehuda Bauer of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, will discuss two bitterly controversial topics, Jewish attempts to negotiate with the Nazis, and forms of Jewish resistance. Finally, both will join with Dr. Emil Fackenheim, who is well known to Toronto audiences, to discuss the Holocaust in history.

Prof. Louis Greenspan, McMaster University is a member of the Schwartz Committee.

Correction

Due to a typographical error, we incorrectly reported that Michael Meerpol, older son of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, would be in Hamilton on Oct. 23 to address Jewish Book week. The actual date is Sunday, Oct. 26.

CZF scholar

MONTREAL — The Scholars-in-Residence Program of the Canadian Zionist Federation is an ongoing annual project — now in its fourth year. During the season of activities, Zionist Regions host a visiting personality from Israel and expose his special talents to a variety of audiences.

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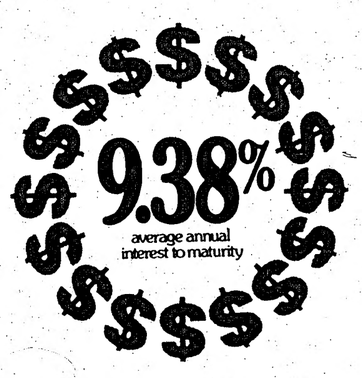

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Is President Ford or Morton dictating U.S. policy on boycott?

The Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith goes about it business with the utmost care. It is not in the habit of making false accusations. Careful, painstaking research is applied by that respected organization to each and every investigation it undertakes.

It should therefore not come as too much of a surprise that the latest target of the ADL's scrutiny is none other than the American government. In a Federal Court suit filed in New York City last month, the ADL charged Rogers C.B. Morton, the secretary of commerce, with assisting Arab countries in their boycott of business interests that are directed or owned by Jews and support Israel.

Benjamin R. Epstein, ADL's national director, accused Morton's department of circulating offers for Arab business opportunities to American companies that contain restrictive provisions against persons or firms supporting Israel. He charged that the commerce department, under Mr. Morton's direction, had refused to divulge the names of American companies which may have co-operated in the Arab boycott.

The accusations, if true, are intolerable since they fly blatantly in the face of a forthright statement made by President Ford last February in which he described the Arab boycott as "repugnant" and contrary to American ideals. No wonder Arnold Forster, ADL's general counsel, denounced the commerce department for "aiding and abetting the effectiveness" of the boycott by concealing the identities of the American firms complying with the notorious blacklist.

Although the ADL suit concerns itself solely with the boycott in the United States, we should not forget that the Arabs have also been active in Canada. According to news reports, approximately 150 Canadian firms are or were on the blacklist as of 1970. Urban Affairs Minister Barney Danson refused to tell this newspaper how Ottawa intends to end the boycott, but he did acknowledge that the Canadian government "cannot accept these...restrictions." Mr. Danson's remarks, whatever they are worth in actual terms, at least offer some measure of hope and solace, and the prospect that Canadian companies may not be affected by the boycott.

Optimism, however, does not appear to be warranted in the United States, judging by the ADL suit brought against the commerce department.

According to the ADL suit, more than 46,000 business transactions were reported between 1970 and 1974 in which requests had been received for some form of anti-Jewish or anti-Israel economic activity. In 36,000 of these cases, the suit held, no information was available concerning compliance with the boycott requests.

Mr. Morton denies any wrongdoing and, in his judgment, his department has waged what he terms an "aggressive" campaign in disseminating U.S. policy on the boycott. He may be an earnest man, but the facts presented by the ADL suggest a tacit acceptance on his part of the boycott. One wonders who dictates American policy, Mr. Morton or President Ford.

In any event, Mr. Morton continues to besmirch the American government by his stubborn refusal to co-operate with a Congress that is trying to get at the bottom of things regarding the boycott. Two weeks ago, Mr. Morton defied a Congressional subpoena seeking the names of U.S. companies involved in the boycott.

The activities of Mr. Morton give rise to questions which remain unanswered: Is Washington really committed to fair trading practices? Is it in favor of non-discriminatory hiring policies? Rhetoric from the White House will not be enough to dispel the fear that the U.S. has buckled under to Arab pressure on so vital an issue.

Perhaps it is time for President Ford to enunciate American policy and tell the American people where the U.S. stands.

Rogers Morton certainly has no intention of clearing the air.

CJC takes on smouldering issue of Third World's food shortage

In the last few years, non-aligned Third World nations have begun to rebel against what they rightfully call the grave injustices of the economic order. Employing a graphic brand of rhetoric that sounds jarring to rich nations, African, Asian and, to a lesser extent, South American nations have demanded a redistribution of the world's wealth. The anger and frustration of the developing countries is surely justified at a time when 70% of mankind must somehow cope with 30% of the world's income, and 20% of the population is threatened by mass starvation.

To its credit, Canadian Jewish Congress has not ducked this smouldering and extremely vital issue. In a submission to Prime Minister Trudeau, signed by national President Sydney Harris and Religious Department chairman, Rabbi Alan Langner, it is suggested that a new economic order, "designed to be a transformation and not simply a transfer of the world's wealth and power, may be the last hope for the hungry peoples of this planet."

Invoking a biblical injunction against concentrations of wealth, CJC's letter warned that food aid and agricultural assistance programs could not alone solve the gnawing and disgraceful problem of world hunger.

Aware that these stop-gap programs can only do so much to alleviate food shortages, the letter correctly stressed that now is the time to find solutions to the mounting food crisis in terms of the structural causes of malnutrition and starvation. This means that it is necessary to redistribute the means to produce and procure food, according to Canadian Jewish Congress, a sentiment with which we agree.

Although the Canadian government's role in beating back world hunger is noted, Rabbi Langner was moved to tell this newspaper that national policies do not always reflect our supposed desire to eradicate the problem. He referred to the undistinguished episode earlier this year in which millions of Canadian eggs were destroyed by the Egg Marketing Agency "while millions of people are dying of hunger."

Canada is not the only Western country which practices such shortsighted policies. Other nations professing to be just as concerned about hunger as Ottawa raze valuable crops in the name of maintaining market equilibrium. Such policies fatten pockets — and widen the growing chasm between the rich and the poor, and promote the spectre of international conflict over scarce natural resources and dwindling food supplies.

Guest Editorial

Remove blame for Crucifixion

By A.J. ARNOLD

Conflict and controversy still rage over the Oberammergau Passion Play, the classic example of anti-Semitism in religious drama. Dating back to the 14th century, the passion plays depict the so-called "Passion of Christ" representing the final chapter in the life of Jesus Christ from the Last Supper to the Crucifixion. All passion plays that we are aware of — we saw two versions several years ago — are anti-Jewish and usually depict the Jews in league with the devil in plotting the death of Jesus.

The Oberammergau version, named for the German town where it has been performed every 10 years since the Black Plague of 1633, has become a world-wide tourist attraction. When last presented in 1970, Jewish groups mounted a strong campaign against it and were supported by some liberal Roman Catholic church leaders. In fact, we believe there are some enlightened Catholic theologians who would like to see an end to this type of passion play.

Apparently different scripts are now being considered for the next Oberammergau production, but the anti-Semitism of the current 1,000 year old version is still being denied by the town sponsors. When the play was first presented there it was done so with the idea of preventing future outbreaks of the Black Plague. Jews had been blamed for the Black Plague as early as the 14th century, when passion plays also came into vogue.

Some changes were made in the Oberammergau production after the Second World War, but the critics have not been satisfied. Although different scripts are again being considered it should be noted that the mayor of the town, Ernest Zwink has stated this does not represent a concession that the present version is anti-Semitic. He also stated in an interview that it is by no means certain that the offensive passages will be dropped from any new script.

In fact, it is the basic concept of the play which is at fault. A new version which puts all the blame on the devil for the condemnation of Christ, won't really help. What is called for is the removal from Christian theology of the last vestiges of blame on the Jews for the Crucifixion and the non-acceptance of Christ. Until this happens the stain on the passion play will be indelible.

Former air force commander lives up to reputation as flamboyant and opinionated Israeli personality

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
CJN Staff Reporter

Ezer Weizman, exuding the brand of boyish charm and casual bluntness that has endeared him to some but alienated others, lived up to his flamboyant reputation as one of Israel's most opinionated personalities in a Toronto interview last week.

In a wide-ranging discourse, the former commander of the Israeli air force ridiculed claims that Israel was on the verge of destroying the Egyptian Third Army during the Yom Kippur War. He scoffed at suggestions that American pressure would compel Israel to withdraw from the occupied Arab territories and disagreed that the granting of Israeli citizenship to the West Bank's one million Arabs would undermine the Jewish character of the state.

The former chairman of the Herut Party executive, and onetime transportation minister in the shortlived National Unity government of Golda Meir, held out the hope that he would succeed Menahem Begin as the next leader of the Likud Opposition. He predicted a war between Israel and Syria within two years and blamed his former brother-in-law, Moshe Dayan, for being one of the persons responsible for Israeli setbacks in the Yom Kippur War.

Weizman, 51, tall and flippant, with thinning brown hair and clear blue eyes, was in Toronto on behalf of the Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University.

Despite his well known hawkish views, Weizman, nephew of the famed Chaim Weizmann, praised the new Sinai interim accord, and called upon his fellow Israelis not to whitewash their military failures.

Asked to comment on the popular view that American intervention saved the beleaguered Egyptian Third Army in the latter stages of the Yom Kippur War, Weizman asserted that the Israeli armed forces were in no position to crush the Egyptians, particularly because the

Ezer Weizman

Second Army was in top fighting form. "We couldn't even capture Suez city," he said, referring to the inability of the IDF to take the Egyptian port in the southern sector of the Suez Canal.

"We shouldn't whitewash things like the Arabs," he declared, admonishing Israelis to refrain from blaming Henry Kissinger for their own failures. "We weren't successful enough in the war. We were tired."

Weizman, responding to a question as to whether the Israeli army could have marched on Damascus in the October War, grinned. "We couldn't move another inch. We should be happy with what we got. The war was a bad one. It's a good thing the way it ended."

He expressed confidence that Israel can resist U.S. pressure to make further withdrawals. "In the long history of Israel, we've done things despite certain forces," he explained. "And there's a limit to U.S. pressure. But one day we'll have to put it to the test and come to grips with this issue. It's difficult to say what will happen. The world is not made of black and white. Life is more complicated than simple arithmetic."

In his opinion, Israel cannot afford to quarrel with Washington at this point in time. "But we will clash with the United States on matters far more important than the Sinai passes," he added. "I don't agree that once you give up, you have to do it again."

Weizman, who played an integral role in the formation and development of the air force, believes Israel had no choice but to accept the latest interim agreement.

Israel, he argued, needs time to rebuild her armed forces as well as her moral. And, he emphasized, $2 billion worth of American arms assistance "is nothing to be sneered at." Furthermore, Israel should encourage moderate voices in the Egyptian government. "It wasn't easy to come out with this, but I sincerely believe in it," he said, probably contrasting his refusal to support the 1970 Suez Canal ceasefire with his current advocacy of the second-stage Sinai pact.

In spite of his satisfaction with the Sinai agreement, Weizman stressed that he is not in favor of more interim agreements. A lasting and comprehensive arrangement should be sought, he said, differentiating between an arrangement" and a genuine "settlement."

Weizman is vehemently against returning the West Bank to Jordan. "The Arabs don't want King Hussein, though they don't want us either," he admitted. He thinks Israel should retain the West Bank for its strategic value. "Five hundred tanks on the West Bank are more dangerous than 1,500 in the Sinai," he said.

Unlike the late Pinhas Sapir, Weizman is of the opinion that the Jewish nature of Israel will not suffer if West Bank inhabitants become Israeli citizens. He does not fear the prospect of a Knesset that may be dominated by Arabs one day, though he hopes aliyah will neutralize the high Arab birthrate.

Reminded that aliyah may not balance an Arab birth explosion, Weizman, turning in his swivel chair, said, smiling: "I'll take this risk. I'll bet you some of them (Arabs) will vote for me rather than some sheikhs. Anyway, who's building Israel today? Arabs, of course," he said, speaking of the Arab workers from the occupied lands who have jobs in Israel's construction trade.

Although Weizman's political career lasted less than one year, he has not abandoned the game of politics. He still wants to change his party and reform the taxation and monetary systems. "I'll go back to public life if I know I can be useful and practical," he said. "Talk is not enough. I could have been a member of Knesset, but I don't want to sit there mincing words in an air conditioned building."

If he cannot make a political comeback, he says, he will "step out" of the arena with "happiness and a clear conscience."

He believes a fifth Arab-Israeli war is likely because Israel has no intention of evacuating the Golan Heights. Asked to assess the possibility that in another war Israeli cities may be hit by bombs and missiles, Weizman commented: "It's a possibility."

Weizman, whose biography was recently published, blames the army rather than the government for the initial debacles of the Yom Kippur War. "I blame Dayan but definitely not Golda," he said. "If the Bar-Lev plan would have been implemented correctly and if certain generals had been replaced in the first few days, the result would have been different. If we had been successful in the first week, American pressure would not have occurred."

Sacher report may cause major reassessment of Zionist activities

Jewish Agency seeks economic savings

In view of Israel's economic difficulties, the Jewish Agency decided about a year ago to make economies around the world. In Britain, Michael M. Sacher, a member of the Jewish Agency executive, conducted a simple exercise into cost savings. His report has almost become a cause celebre and may develop into a major re-assessment on Zionist activities in the United Kingdom.

The Sacher committee is an extraordinary example of how a mole hill can be transformed into a mountain. Initiated as a simple exercise in cost savings, it is steadily developing into a major reassessment of Zionist activities in Britain.

Following the introduction of stringent economic restrictions in Israel last year, the mammoth Jewish Agency — employer of some 4,000 people — also felt obliged to look at possible cost reductions.

At a press conference in London last January, Pinhas Sapir, then Agency chairman, mentioned almost by-the-way that he had asked Michael Sacher to see what savings might be made in the running costs of the Agency's operations in Britain.

Sacher was asked not because of his chairmanship of the Joint Israel Appeal, but because he is the only British member of the 11-member Agency executive and thus the most influential Briton on the international Zionist scene.

A kingpin in the highly efficiency-conscious Marks and Spencer organization (he is vice-chairman and a managing director), Sacher naturally recognized a relationship between cost-consciousness and organization and method. His self-devised terms of reference tied together "the need for maximum economy and efficiency" with the objective that "Zionist activity must be strengthened and expanded generally, and local leadership must be developed and nurtured."

Working with two principal assistants, Sacher's inquiry sought views from sources as diverse as the Chief Rabbi's office and left-wing Zionist groups.

His investigation of all Agency work — except fund-raising — began with the immigration and youth departments which at present employ 32 full-time Israeli emissaries at an annual cost of about $400,000.

In his findings on this aspect published last month, he defined the task of immigration department emissaries as the "counselling of olim and the provision of necessary services," while suggesting that the general promotion of immigration must be "an integral part of all Zionist work."

The report recommended that emissaries for Britain should be approved by the Israel office of the Zionist Federation and that all activities of the departments should be undertaken "with the prior consultation and agreement of the organized Anglo-Zionist community."

As an immediate measure Sacher proposed that the overall number of Israeli emissaries be reduced by some 25%, saving up to $175,000 a year. But his suggestion immigration department emissaries should look after the three senior Zionist youth movements, each of which is affiliated to a different political party, floundered on the political intricacies of the Jewish Agency.

Its executive reversed this proposal to maintain the three political emissaries and instead reduce the number of those in the immigration department.

His other recommendations have however been accepted, including one that, London and Manchester apart, other centres should have only one emissary to look after all youth movements (except the religious Bnei Akiva) and that two of the three youth centres in northwest London be closed down and new ones opened in outer London.

Although Sacher's probe has generally been welcomed, some of his methods have been criticized, notably the fact that neither he nor his two principal assistants — Alfred Sheinwald and Marcus Einfeld — have ever been elected to office in the British Zionist movement.

He earned his own seat on the Jewish Agency executive not as a Zionist nominee, but while chairman of the JIA and represents there the fund-raising and not the political arm of the Zionist movement. His local association with the Zionist movement is only nominal being an honorary vice-president of the federation.

Sheinwald is an employee of the Jewish Agency (representing its treasury in Britain), while Einfeld, an Australian barrister, came to Britain a few years ago to work for the World Jewish Congress and has recently been appointed by Sacher as his personal adviser on Jewish affairs.

Sacher has also been criticized for excluding from his enquiries the views of the leaders of the movements whose emissaries it is proposed to remove. Only the heads of the two departments were asked to present their cases.

Many Zionists have also argued that, as the scope of the investigation has widened, it should be held in public to give the whole community an opportunity both to participate and to learn all the details.

Sacher, however, does not regard this as feasible although he accepts that future reports — on the Agency's other departments and their links with the British Zionist movement — should contain more details of the various views presented to him and not merely his own conclusions.

Guess who this is? None other than Golda Meir when she was eight years old, shortly after her arrival in America. "...I was delighted by my pretty new clothes, by the soda pop and ice cream..." she writes in an excerpt from her autobiography "My Life," published in the October issue of McCalls magazine. (Religious News photo)

ask the rabbi

Jews can be Freemasons

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Other possible objections to an Orthodox Jew becoming a mason are the oath of secrecy that is taken (the rabbis frown on a Jew taking an oath without adequate reason) and the ceremonies and rituals which might savor of idolatrous worship.

Against these objections it can be argued, the oath of secrecy is not taken without adequate reason and the rituals have no religious significance and certainly no idolatrous associations.

In fact, from what one hears, some of the ceremonies are based on the biblical traditions about Solomon's Temple and Hiram King of Tyre and there seems to be some slight connection with Cabbalistic ideas.

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what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN

WORKSHOP FOR SINGLES

Single men and women have special things to talk about. That's why an all-day workshop, **Living Single in the Jewish Community,** has been scheduled for this Sunday, Oct. 19. Up for discussion will be such subjects as accepting the single state, loneliness, dating and sex. Guest speakers will be sociologist Dr. Ben Schlesinger (**Singlehood in the Jewish Community**), and psychiatrist Dr. Frank Sommers (**Sex From Every Angle**). The workshop is sponsored by the YM-YWHA, the Jewish Family and Child Service, and the Welfare Fund, under the direction of 'Y' staffer Michael Silverman. It takes place at the northern 'Y' from 9:15 a.m. — 6 p.m., with registration at 8:30 a.m.

JEWISH BOOK MONTH

Jewish Book Month is just around the corner, heralding a host of activities to further stimulate Jewish knowledge and learning. The dates this year are Oct. 31-Nov. 28, and the central theme is **Around The World With Jewish Books.** Although the month-long observance is one of the main focuses of the Toronto Jewish Book Committee, the committee is aiming at a year-round program of promoting books of Jewish content in English, Hebrew and Yiddish.

ZIONIST COUNCIL MEETING

Col. Jacob Monbaz, former Israeli consul general in Montreal and Toronto, and now on a special assignment with the United Israel Appeal of Canada, will address the opening meeting of the Toronto Zionist Council Wednesday, Oct. 22. His topic will be **Israel — Expectations and Precautions.** The program will also include a musical presentation by pianist Poline Kholov, recently arrived from the Soviet Union. The meeting, chaired by TZC president Helen Smolack, is at 8:15 p.m. at the Zionist centre.

NEW HEBREW CHOIR

Rinah Chorale, a Hebrew choir for college students and young working people, is a new project sponsored by Congress Central Region and the Jewish Student Federation at York University. No auditions are necessary. Just turn up for rehearsals which are held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Zionist centre.

MUSIC FOR SENIORS

An afternoon of musical entertainment for seniors is slated for this Sunday, the 19th, at 2 p.m. at the Bloor 'Y'. Entertainment will be provided by Jodi Sufrin and Danny Gottlieb, Hebrew and Yiddish folk singers, and the dance group of Maxine Ross. The event is sponsored by the Association of Jewish Senior Clubs, under the auspices of Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Rabbi Michael Celniker of Toronto's Jewish Public Library tells us that the Children's Creative Corner, run at the library last year, was such a smashing success, it is being offered again this year. Sessions are held every Tuesday from 1-2 and 2-3 p.m., and Wednesdays from 10-11:30 a.m., from now to Dec. 18. Roslyn English, a qualified teacher, is in charge of the program which includes arts, crafts, drama and games, all with a Jewish content, and geared to children 2½-4 years of age. There is no charge. For information, call the library.

FOR ART LOVERS

More than 150 Canadian artists are displaying their work at Beth Tikvah Sisterhood's art exhibit and sale being held at the synagogue this Sunday and Monday, the 19th and 20th. An added attraction is a display of sculpture pieces by Israeli artist Arik Amir. Sunday hours are 10 a.m.-10 p.m., and Monday from 11 a.m.- 4 p.m., followed by an auction of international works by Sakal Galleries of New York at 8 p.m.

SHAAR SHALOM LECTURE

Shaar Shalom Congregation's adult education program this Sunday, Oct. 19, will present Hadassa Rosenberg, University of Toronto lecturer, speaking on **The Cultural Climate in Israel Today.** It takes place at 8:45 p.m. at Fairview Mall Auditorium.

HERE IS ISRAEL

A reminder that the **Here Is Israel** music festival, on tour of major North American cities, hits Toronto Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. It is being presented by the Canadian Friends of Soldiers Welfare in Israel and the Friends of Pioneering Israel, under the auspices of the Canadian Zionist Federation. Proceeds go in aid of soldiers in Israel. The group is listed for Ottawa on the 18-19th, and Hamilton on the 21st.

ORT DANCE

Herzliah Chapter of Toronto Women's ORT has scheduled a gala fund-raiser, a dance and continental buffet, for 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Borochov Centre. Entertainment is by Ross Sully and The Sounds.

J.B. TO SPEAK

On Tuesday, Oct. 21, **The CJN** columnist Joseph B. Salsberg will be speaking at the Labor Zionist Alliance lecture series, on the topic **Jewish Youth's Reaction to the Rabbi.** The lecture is at 8:30 p.m. at the LZA centre.

COURSES FOR WOMEN

The Institute of Higher Studies, a series of courses for Orthodox Jewish women, organized by the Ontario Chapter, Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, begins Oct. 21, and will run three times a week through to March 11. Bible and Commentaries is scheduled for Tuesdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m.; Halacha, Wednesdays, 8:15-9:30 p.m., and Movements in Jewish History, Thursdays, 1:30-2:45 p.m. All take place at the Jewish Public Library.

Pizza replaces felafel as Israel's favorite nosh

bon appetit

By MARCIA KRETZMER

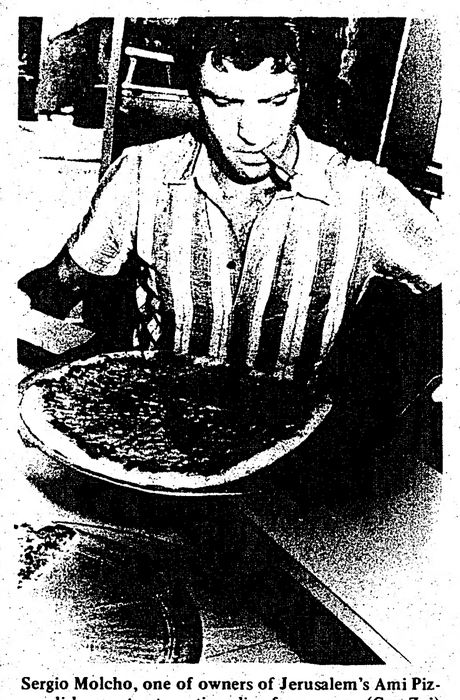
JERUSALEM —

Israeli noshing habits have branched out in recent years. In the '50s, felafel held pride of place as the national nosh. Visitors to Israel headed immediately for the felafel stalls, to sample the crisply fried balls of spiced chick-pea paste, tucked into pitta and garnished with picked and fresh vegetables.

Climbing prosperity in Israel during the '60s, brought a rash of American-style hamburger joints and also steak houses with an Israeli flavor, called "steakiyot."

Any date or outing worth the name, ended with a grilled cumin-spiced minute steak tucked into a pitta. Steaks in this manner still remain popular, if expensive. However, their close runners-up, sliced lamb on the spit (shwarma) and charcoal-grilled shishlik and kebab, have hardly diminished in popularity.

But possibly leading the field as the most popular nosh today, is pizza. Fortunately, Israelis have genuine Italians and Americans on the spot to show them what real pizza can be. Therefore, despite the somewhat debased versions on the market, there are also some, which, say the cognisenti, are "the real thing."



Sergio Molcho, one of owners of Jerusalem's Ami Pizza, dishes out a tempting slice from oven. (Gan-Zvi)

Sergio Molcho, an Italian Jew from Bologna, a specialist in graphic art at the Bezalel Academy of Art, is a partner in a smashingly successful pizza shop called Ami Pizza, in Jerusalem's Rehov Ha-Histadrut. Ami Pizza offers a choice of pizzas: cheese and tomato, mushroom, green pepper and olive, and anchovy — from IL 2.50 a slice (a mere 35 cents or so, at the current rate of exchange). These are splendidly rich pizzas, with one of the best pizza crusts I have ever sampled, doughy, but crusty and munchy. Ami Pizza also has a take-out service, and on a Saturday night, scores of people can be seen thronging the small shop, eating generous slices of pizza, or wending their way through the crowds bearing outsize boxes.

If you prefer a more spicy type of pizza with a thin, crispy dough, try the Pizza Barn in Rehov Hillel. One of the owners, Eli Katz, 24, an accountant from Brooklyn, New York, told me that the Pizza Barn is Jerusalem's first pizza shop and the only one in Israel with a restaurant.

Slices of pizza at the bar, come at a reasonable IL 2.25. Inside the restaurant, you can get pizzas big enough for 10 people, spaghetti, soup, fondues, salads, garlic bread, and nine varieties of pizza, including an intriguing one made with artichokes. Prices range from IL 10.50 — Il 17, not including wine, which is sold by the glass at IL 4.

Chief cook and menu planner is Canadian-born Roma Katz, wife to Eli's brother Andy. As Roma Zajdenman of Montreal, she came on aliyah six years ago. Her methods? "All of us have a decent taste, and we just kept cooking and testing until it came out right," Eli told me.

The restaurant's atmosphere is interesting rather than elegant. There are beige walls relieved by red paint round windows and doors, sturdy wooden tables and chairs, placemats of woven Arab material, chunky pottery ashtrays.

Immigrant and native Israelis pack the place nightly to sample Roma's specialities and listen to one or other of the folk musicians who make the rounds at the Pizza Barn. ("One night, we had most of Kissinger's entourage here," recalls Eli.)

There are some 10 employees, mostly students on aliyah, who work shifts at the Pizza Barn, and who contribute to the casual, slightly zany atmosphere. "Yes, there is an element of buffoonery around here," allows Eli.

The Pizza Barn opened in 1973 — scarcely an encouraging time for new immigrants to embark on a business venture. How have they been faring? "Listen, if you're Jewish, you can always say that business could be better, but we're not complaining," smiles Eli.

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Shabbat Shalom!

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'Y' dance instructor discards fame in favor of his first love-teaching

By LOUISE CORNBLUM

TORONTO —

Which of us has never dreamed of fame, fortune, and stardom? Yet, Jacque Foesier, with all of these firmly within his grasp, discarded them in favor of teaching.

In an interview with **The CJN,** Foesier, director of the dance school of the YM-YWHA Arts Council, explained why he left the company of the Metropolitan Opera Ballet to concentrate on techniques of teaching dance.

"It's the giving and receiving between teacher and student that nourishes me. There's an energy flow. If what you give your class is stimulating, what they send back to you is 20 times as exciting.

Foesier was studying with the Metropolitan Ballet on a scholarship basis when he reached the decision that performing would turn him into an isolationist, that working so hard and competing so hard with others to be better cause a dancer to be self-centred and eventually unable to relate to others.

This was contrary to his nature, and his love of children (he now has five of his own) led him to prefer teaching. Having made his choice, Foesier threw himself zealously into the study of teaching techniques.

Working with Margaret Craske, former ballet mistress of the Metropolitan Opera Ballet and a pupil of Enrico Cecchetti, he absorbed the Cecchetti method — a system of day-by-day ballet training based totally on the anatomical development of the body. This is the method which he stresses at the 'Y'.

He then studied ethnic dances with the world-famous Carola Goya and Matteo. He worked with Myra Kinch, director of her own Modern Dance Company and school, and, on scholarship, with Ted Shawn, founder of the Jacob's Pillow University of the Dance.

Foesier topped this off with a period in Essen, Germany, working with Isa Partch of the Kurt Joos Laban School, studied next with Tom Two Arrows, specialist in American Indian dancing and folklore, moved on to Scotland to work with Bruce McClure of the Celtic Ballet. He studied Mexican folk dancing with Josephina Garcia and tap-dancing with Earla Grey.

Equipped with all this training, Foesier still had not found the techniques he required for imparting a love of dance to children. In 1958 he began to teach dance in Toronto. Over the next seven years, he developed his own exciting and revolutionary pre-dance classes based on the concept that the ideal is to adjust dance to suit the needs of the child rather than to fit the child into dance; that children will develop themselves through motivation.

"In the studio," he explains, "the only restriction is themselves. They start to develop their own awareness of being persons who can start to think and do things for themselves. The most exciting thing for me is that, once the child has broken the ice, the parents can't keep him or her away."

Often parents are responsible for repressing the natural inquisitive instincts of their children. That is why he feels that four is an ideal age for introduction to pre-dance. The child has mastered basic walking and running skills and has begun to feel the full force of social restrictions. Foesier has created a junior boys class, too, to encourage their involvement.

From the age of eight or nine, pupils may enter formal ballet training at the 'Y' in a more serious and disciplined environment.

Jacque Foesier

...about people

Ambassador Max Varon

Veteran Israeli diplomat Ambassador **Max Varon,** recently appointed head of the newly-created foreign ministry department dealing with Jewish communities in the Diaspora, will be in Toronto this Tuesday, Oct. 21, to address a meeting of leading Jewish and non-Jewish Israel Bond supporters. The event is being hosted by Canadian publisher **E.J. Mannion,** at his home. It is being held in conjunction with the forthcoming Sports Celebrity Interfaith Testimonial Dinner honoring **Sam Shefsky,** well-known sportsman.

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Also on the honor list this month — Shomrai Shabbos Congregation's **Rabbi Gedalia Felder,** at the sixth annual Ner Israel Yeshiva College dinner at the Royal York Hotel, Sunday, the 26th... **Blayne Lastman** (yes, he's the son of North York's mayor), **Lillian Collins-Zimmerman,** and **Harry Henig,** by the Zionist Organization of Canada, for contributions made to the ZOC Youth Centre in Jerusalem. Blayne directed all his bar mitzvah money to the centre; Mrs. Collins-Zimmerman made a contribution in the name of her late husband, Harry Collins, and author Henig (**Orphan of the Storm**) donated a substantial amount from the sale of his books, plus a personal gift in memory of his wife Fanny. The presentations will be made at the Toronto Zionist Council meeting Wednesday the 22nd.

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In case you didn't already know, here's a list of the Jewish MPPs elected in last month's Ontario elections — Metro Toronto area Liberals **Philip Givens** and **Vernon Singer,** NDP leader **Stephen Lewis,** and PC **Larry Grossman; Stuart Smith** from Hamilton, and **Marvin Shore** from London, both Liberals.

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It seems that Parisians will soon be reading all about the Canadian Jewish Congress. Executive vice-president **Alan Rose** was interviewed by **L'Arche** on the work of the CJC. **L'Arche** is published monthly in Paris and focuses mainly on Jewish matters.

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Dr. Abe Perlman, a math, physics and computer science teacher at Toronto's Ner Israel Yeshiva College, has been appointed vice-principal of the high school department. Dr. Perlman, who received his Ph.D. at the University of Toronto, also directs a maths-physics program at a North York high school.

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Educational but depressing is the way **Lou Garber** describes his recent three-week visit to the USSR. The York University Jewish Student Federation director and his wife Roslyn (she's education director at Temple Emanu-El), report that they had no difficulty meeting with activists in Moscow, Kiev, Odessa and Kishinev, but found it a "very educational experience, but a very depressing one because of the difficult life they have been forced to live simply because of their desire to immigrate to their homeland."

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Word from Winnipeg is that **Sol Kanee** has resigned as chairman of the University of Manitoba board of governors, after about only three months in that office, during which time he helped to end the protracted negotiations with the faculty and work out an agreement with the university's faculty association. However, he is still on the board and is serving on the search committee for a new president to replace **Dr. Ernest Sirluck** whose resignation is effective next July.

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Mideast powder keg may be defused, says author

TORONTO —
An American foreign correspondent and author who has witnessed, first-hand, Israel's growth since the War of Independence, calls the recent interim peace accord a significant turning point in Mideast history.

Ruth Gruber, a 27-time visitor to Israel and author of five books on that country, says the disengagement agreement with Egypt, along with President Anwar Sadat's mild rebuff of his Arab cohorts, may indicate that the Mideast is no longer the powder keg for a potential explosion between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Speaking at the fall sponsor luncheon of the Toronto women's division of Israel Bonds, Ms. Gruber said that while Israel's withdrawal from the strategic Gidi and Mitla passes and the valuable Abu Rodeis oil fields was a major sacrifice, "the terrible cost is worth it, if it opens the way to peace. I see a crack in the Arab world and the hopeful beginnings of peace."

Well familiar with the Mideast and Israel's struggles, she was the only journalist to cover the historic voyage of the Haganah ship, Exodus, in 1947. Her book, **Destination Palestine,** formed the basis for both the movie and novel **Exodus.** She is also author of the best-seller, **Israel on the Seventh Day.**

In a colorful, emotional speech, delivered at the home of Mrs. Max Shecter, Ms. Gruber appealed to the select group of women donors to intensify their "bonds of friendship and survival" with world Jewry and Israel.

She vividly depicted her recent encounters with dissidents in the Soviet Union and her secretive meeting with Valery and Galina Panov, the Russian ballet artists, who told her of the unrelenting harassment before their release to Israel.

But it was her stirring account of her experiences in Israel — conversations with Ben-Gurion, military commanders, soldiers at the front lines and in army hospitals — which greatly touched her audience.

While in Toronto, Ms. Gruber also was guest speaker at the Royal York Hotel reception in connection with the Sam Shefsky Interfaith Celebrity Dinner. She was a last minute replacement for the previously scheduled guest, Esther Herlitz, Israeli diplomat and Knesset member, detained at home.

At the fall sponsor luncheon, Toba Lipman, chairman of the Toronto's women division of Bonds, announced that the 400 women in the sponsorship category ($1,500 or more in bonds purchases) had, to date, raised $1.125,000.

Dr. Ruth Gruber (second from left), author and foreign correspondent, participated in pinning ceremony of 1975 Israel Bonds sponsor awards. Others from left are: Mrs. Max Shecter, luncheon hostess; Mrs. Donald Lipman, Bonds women's division chairman and Mrs. Gerald Morton, associate trustee chairman. (Hausman)

Soviet embassy picketed by 350

By JO MIRA CLODMAN

OTTAWA —
The Soviet embassy was silent on Simchat Torah while about 350 people outside its gates protested oppression of Soviet Jews.

Local rabbis and Ottawa mayor Lorry Greenberg rang the embassy doorbell, but no one answered. A letter, delivered by hand two days earlier to Ambassador Alexander Yakovlev's office, asked that he respond to the protestors' call.

The placard-carrying demonstrators sang and shouted slogans during the 15 minute march from the Jewish Community Centre to the embassy.

A wooden model representing the front of the Great Moscow Synagogue was placed across the street from the embassy, and flanked by demonstrators carrying Torahs.

The Soviets had allowed Russian Jews to congregate outside the Moscow synagogue, said Rabbi Donald Gerber, a vice president of Canadian Jewish Congress' Soviet Jewry Committee.

"The Russian ideology today...is bent upon strangulation and suffocation of Jewish cultural experience."

The megaphone used by Rabbi Gerber probably ensured that anyone listening inside the embassy heard his words clearly.

Despite the wishes of the Soviet government, Rabbi Gerber said, "the Jewish soul...will not merge."

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2. Jewish Art from 2 C.E. — 1500 C.E.: An Historical and Biblical Approach. Synagogues in ancient Israel, mosaics, religious attitudes toward art, examples of frescoes from catacombs, Hebrew manuscripts 900–1500 C.E. *Joan Shanfield* — Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Hillel House.

3. Davvening Lab. Designed to create the emotional response which prayer is supposed to achieve but which is often one of the most frustrating experiences for the contemporary Jew. Use of sensitivity techniques, body movement and song. *Ben Mayer* — Thursday, 8 p.m., Hillel House.

4. Conversational Hebrew. Learn the language from scratch or sharpen your skills. A minimum registration is required together with a fee of $25 for 20 sessions. When registering, indicate beginner's or intermediate. Fee payable at Hillel House. *Leah Vogel* — hour, day and place to be arranged.

5. Basics: How to be a Jew. Judaism can be expressed in a number of manageable key areas, including basic beliefs, dietary laws. Sabbath, ethics, and rituals. Each session will be devoted to a separate topic. *Rabbi David Schochet* — Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Hillel House.

6. Kosher Economy Cooking. This year of the Lean we focus on how it can be done cheap (relatively). Examples: "Nearly Meatless Cholent", "The Glorious Kneidl" and others. *Bnai Brith Women* — hour and day to be arranged.

7. The Jewish Camera (Spring only). Toronto has many opportunities for the camera enthusiast and this group will hope to produce a quality display, "Jewish Toronto." Also learn about composition, subjects and other photo skills. *Lawrence Yanover* — details to follow in spring.

8. Liberalism vs. Fundamentalism: An Exploration of their Differences. The philosophies underlying these two approaches to religion in general and with specific reference to their application to Reform and Orthodox Judaism. *Rabbi Steven Franklin* — Thursday, 1 p.m., Medical Science Bldg. R. 3290, U. of T. Campus.

9. Review of Periodical Literature. Controversial selections will be made from a number of Jewish publications and used as the basis for group discussion. *Ben Mayer* — Tuesday, 1 p.m., Medical Science Bldg. R. 3290, U. of T. Campus.

10. Jewish Whole Earth Projects. Since the first humans spoke Hebrew, this presents a selection of earthy doing things like wine-making, candles, menoras, cholents, calligraphy, talit, mezuzah. *Guest Experts* Wednesday, 8 p.m., Hillel House.

Jewish Student Federation at York University

1. Current Developments in the Israeli–Arab Dispute. The course will deal with contemporary developments such as the recent agreement between Israel and Egypt, within the context of possible alternatives for resolving the conflict. *Mr. Asher Grunis*, S165 Ross Bldg., Tuesday, beginning Oct. 14, 3 p.m.

2. Beginner Hebrew. The course is for the student who has always wanted to learn the language but never had the opportunity. The book being used is "Modern Hebrew". by Blumberg and Lewittes. *Ms. Beela Langsam*, 033 Administrative Studies Bldg., Tuesday, beginning Oct. 14, 1–3 p.m.

3. Intermediate Hebrew. For the student who knows how to read and is able to participate in elementary discussion. Knowledge of past and present tense is necessary. *Ms. Beela Langsam*, 223 Bethune College, Monday, beginning Oct. 20, 2–4 p.m.

4. Beginner Yiddish. *Mr. Simchovitch,* 111 McLaughlin College, Monday, beginning Oct. 20, 1–2 p.m.

5. Intermediate Yiddish. *Mr. Simchovitch*, 111 McLaughlin College, Monday, beginning Oct. 20, 2–3 p.m.

6. Philosophy of Chassidism. *Rabbi Laufer,* S165 Ross Bldg., Wednesday, beginning Oct. 15, 3 p.m.

7. Calligraphy. An orientation course to teach the use of a pen and quill, different Hebrew alphabets, how to make pens, how to get even strokes, and how to make round and straight letters. *Mr. Joseph Rotenberg,* BBYO Library, 115 Hove St., Downsview. Monday, beginning Oct. 20, 7:30–8:30 p.m.

8. Feminism and Judaism: Conflict or Compatibility? A discussion of the relationship between Feminism and Judaism. *Isabella Meltz*, Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave., Downsview, Monday, beginning Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m.

9. Israeli Dance Workshop. *Zvi Rogol*, Vanier College, 202. Sunday, beginning Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m.

10. Jewish Cooking Class. To be arranged. If interested, call to sign up, stating your name, telephone number, and evening available.

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To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Pioneer Women and 25th year of State of Israel Bond program, Toronto Pioneer Women convened a special luncheon at home of Mrs. Murray Cornblum (centre). From left: Mrs. Donald Lipman and Mrs. Philip Band. (Hausman photo)

Tennis star wants to build sport in Israel

By LAURA GOLDSTEIN

TORONTO — "If you ask me what my ambition is, besides winning Wimbledon, I want to have a share in helping to establish tennis in Israel," confided top Israeli-ranked Paulina Peisachov, the country's hottest tennis export.

A contender in the Rothmans Canadian Open Tennis Championships held recently at the Toronto Cricket and Skating Club, the zealous 25-year-old persevered with tennis as a child, despite an environment that did not encourage Jewish athletes.

Born in Lithuania, Peisachov was introduced to the sport by her father when she was seven years old.

"I saw anti-Semitism around but I never thought that it would concern me," she admitted. "As a junior champion in Lithuania, my parents wanted to give me a chance to see the world, and so they applied for their papers to leave the country."

She continued: "At 15 and a promising junior in the Soviet Union, I was invited by the Russians to their training camps. I did not get along with the coach — some people are prejudiced and he was. But what did amaze me was when my parents received permission to leave, and I was supposed to play in the Lithuanian Championships just a week before we were to leave, the government refused me the right to play. I was very hurt."

After immigrating to Israel in 1966, Peisachov completed her education there as well as continuing with her tennis training. Then her tennis career began to snowball.

Accepting a scholarship in the United States, Peisachov graduated with a chemistry degree from Arizona State University, where she also played for the varsity tennis team.

"I returned to Israel," she reflected, "thinking that I would go into the army and do my duty. But I didn't have to because a sponsor was interested in making a tennis player out of me."

In October of 1972, Peisachov travelled to England under the wing of her two new coaches, Angela Buxton and Jimmey Jones.

"During that year, I really improved at the game, and I could probably say that I truly developed into a tennis player," Peisachov said.

Since then Peisachov has played all the major tennis circuits, winning tournaments in England and Scandinavia. Although she got to the quarter finals in Toronto last year, she suffered an early defeat in this year's tournament, losing to Sue Mappin of Great Britain.

Previous to the Canadian tournament, Peisachov played in Indianapolis, losing to Chris Evert in the second round. "I never played Chris before, and it was an experience," Peisachov related. "I wish I had this kind of experience in every tournament, because it really helped my game. Of course it would have been even nicer to have met Chris in the finals!"

Unpretentious and yet remarkably self-confident, Peisachov dislikes the security precautions to which she is subject.

"When I represented Israel in the Asian Games in Hong Kong, I had a 24 hour guard. It was very unpleasant, although I guess I needed it and must put up with it," she said.

In Germany, she encountered more problems.

"They gave the excuse that there was a problem with security," she explained. "When I called them up and asked that the organizers look after my security, they said, 'listen girl, we can't guarantee our own security, never mind someone else's'." She added: "The Germans finally changed their minds and let me play in the tournament, although I still had no security. I think that they will look forward to having me again next year because we got to the finals of the women's doubles."

The attitude reflected by the Germans has left its mark on Peisachov, who has lost all respect for the Olympic Games.

"As a child, I thought that the Olympics were the ultimate in sports competition. But what I regarded as something sacred, died two years ago with the Munich massacre," she stated.

In the past, Israel has been unable to spend vast amounts of money in order to promote her athletes. However, this year Israel has begun to build a large tennis centre, with over 20 courts where juniors will receive instruction free of charge.

"Tennis in Israel is growing and receiving more attention. It is becoming a popular sport, and if I ever contributed something to it I would be the happiest person," Peisachov told **The Canadian Jewish News.**

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Academics combine with practical service

NCJW generates credit course for volunteers

By MIRIAM HERMAN

TORONTO —

In addition to the inner satisfaction and gratification that comes from serving others, volunteers can now have something more concrete to show for their efforts — a full-fledged college certificate.

A newly-approved certificate program, "Community Studies for Volunteers," was inaugurated at Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology this fall. It is a combination of a six-course academic program given through the college's continuing education division, matched by an equal number of hours (35 for each course) of practical volunteer experience. It is the first such certificate program in the province geared to the volunteer sector of the community.

The idea was generated by the National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto section. An organization that places hundreds of volunteers in community service, NCJW is concerned with the status of the unpaid service-giver — how she (or he) views herself, and how the community views her.

Two and a half years in the research and planning stage, the program became a reality this semester.

Courses dealing with personal insight, community awareness, communication, human development, group dynamics and the service and administrative volunteer are all geared to make a more knowledgeable, competent, confident community worker, according to Council member Sandra Atlin, who undertook the initial research and now is

Sandra Atlin

co-ordinator of the program.

Additional input came from a 10-person advisory committee representing a broad community perspective — North York General Hospital, Baycrest Centre, Y.W.C.A., Ontario bureau of sports and recreation, Junior League, Canadian Mental Health Association, NCJW, LINK Information and Referral Service, and the Volunteer Centre of Metro Toronto.

The go-ahead from Seneca College came in December, 1973.

"Dean Thomas Stevens of the continuing education division was open to the idea and offered to provide the framework," Mrs. Atlin told **The CJN**. "But the making it a reality was up to Council."

Certificate approval from the Ministry of Colleges and Universities took a little longer. It came through last March following several meetings, submissions and assurances that the program "is not meant to compete with existing programs, nor is it meant to lead to paid employment."

The practical experience component is supervised by another Council member, Marilyn Gross, who records the students' service hours and maintains contact with the organizations and agencies in which the students are active.

"One of the concepts is that the students will bring information about their agencies to the classes, and vice-versa," Mrs. Gross explained. "It's a two-way road of awareness."

Although each academic course runs for 14 weeks, with 2½ hour sessions each week, the student will be given six months to complete the matching volunteer work.

The first two courses on personal assessment and community structure are already in session with an enrolment of about 35 students, mostly women in the 40-50 age bracket, and one young man.

"The Seneca program is one way women can re-enter the academic world," Mrs. Atlin said, adding that "hopefully agencies and volunteer bureaus will take another look at the volunteer."

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Columnist encounters difficulties in trying to cover Reform youth

"Rabbi Tarfon said: The day (life) is short; the task is great; the workmen (human beings) are lazy; the reward is great, and the Master is insistent."
—Ethics of the Fathers, 2:15

voice of youth

By JEFFREY LIPSITZ

You may wonder why it seems that more articles in the Voice of Youth column deal with activities of Conservative and Orthodox groups than Reform youth groups.

Perhaps by telling you how I came to write one particular article on an activity of a Reform youth group, you will be able to answer for yourself the problem posed in paragraph one.

It was mid-March (1975). I learned that the youth group of a Reform temple here in Toronto was to host a weekend "Kallah" program. The same evening I phoned one of the organizers of the program, offering my assistance in publicizing the event, for the benefit of the group as well as my readers who, I indicated, were certainly as interested in the activities of his group as any other. (I had not yet covered any activities of Reform youth groups).

I was casually informed, quite coldly too, that "we are not desperate for publicity, but you can come down Saturday night and talk to someone." He didn't seem to realize that I write for my readers, not for myself alone, and, consequently, he was not doing me a personal favor...

That Saturday night I left a USY Shabbaton I was attending and went down to the Reform temple where the program in question was being held. I met the same "high-ranking official" in the movement to whom I had spoken over the phone earlier that week. I indicated that I wanted to ask him some questions about the program before I talked to some of the participants. He said he had no time, but would call over the regional president, who had come to Toronto from the U.S. just to attend the program.

Fifteen minutes went by. Twenty minutes. Half an hour. Forty-five minutes. And no president.

Finally I grabbed someone walking innocently down the hall, and asked him to direct me to the regional president. I found him a few minutes later and we talked.

The story appeared in this column the following week.

In spite of the trouble I had in getting the story, I persisted (as before that weekend program) in reminding that youth-group worker that I would publicize and report on the programs of his group, as I do for all groups. However, neither before nor after that weekend did he inform me of any of his programs, though I am sure his group organized many.

I mention no names here. This is not a purge on any one group or individual. The message I am trying to convey is that through this column I would like to reach out (and help youth groups reach out) to every part of the youth community, including those kids not involved or interested in more "religious" groups.

With a little co-operation from all youth groups, a greater number of youth can be given just a little push — enough to get them involved. In so many cases, the problem of alienated youth (much talked about by adults) comes about because those who are not involved see no better alternative to doing nothing.

To all youth groups — Reform, Conservative, Orthodox, Zionist, and any combination of these terms — I say: "Get moving!" (Read again the quote at the top of this article.)

Pro-PLO demonstrators carried placards and chanted anti-Israel slogans prior to Moshe Dayan's speech at the University of Toronto last week. (Groskind photo)

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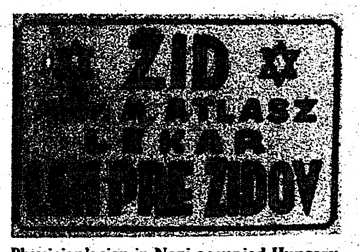
Hungary's lust for more territory inextricably bound it to Germany

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

In the morning of Oct. 16, 1944, still shaking and pale from the events of the day before, the Regent of Hungary, Admiral Miklos Horthy, surrendered his office to the Germans.

With the Allies winning battles all over Europe, and Russia breathing down on Hungary's borders, the enfeebled and sometimes senile regent had secretly decided to broadcast an armistice appeal Oct. 15. The Germans, tipped off about the broadcast, kidnapped Horthy's son, flew him to Mauthausen concentration camp and threatened the terrified regent that his son would be killed if armistice plans were not called off.



Physician's sign in Nazi-occupied Hungary indicating he is only permitted to treat Jewish patients. (M. Atlas photograph)

For Hungary, Horthy's acquiescence to this latest German demand meant a new and totally pro-Nazi administration (called the Nyilas or Arrow Cross). For Hungary's Jews, it meant the on-again, off-again waves of extermination would be put into full force bringing about the eventual murder of an estimated 400,000 Jews.

In many ways, the fate of Hungary and her Jews stemmed back — as was the case of so many aspects of the Second World War — to conditions imposed on World War I's defeated countries. The treaty to protect minorities soon proved to be a worthless scrap of paper in many countries.

There were deeply rooted political and economic reasons that accounted for Hungary's attitudes toward her Jews — attitudes that eventually plunged the Jews into the Nazi maelstrom. On the one hand, the Jews constituted nearly the entire middle class of Hungary, since the remnants of the Habsburg nobility felt it undignified to enter a profession or business. As a result, it was feared that quick annihilation of the Jews would have dire consequences on the country's economy and medical services.

On the other hand, with memories of the once vast Austro-Hungarian Empire in their minds, many Hungarian leaders lusted after more territory. One country — Germany — promised them the chance to expand their borders.

Once Germany fulfilled her promise, the destiny of Hungary and her Jews was inextricably bound with the Third Reich.

The rest of the story deals with a string of Hungarian prime ministers possessing varying degrees of loyalty to the Nazis (the more pro-Nazi they were, the more atrocities Hungarian non-Jews perpetrated against the Jews, even before the methodical machinery of the S.S. arrived), and last minute efforts by the Nazis to ransom the lives of Hungarian Jews — the last large group of Jews the Nazis attempted to annihilate before they, themselves, were destroyed.

Despite attempts to extricate herself from the war, particularly when Allied victories increased, it was not to be the Hungarians, but the Russians, who would eventually throw the Nazi net off Hungary.

By Feb. 13, 1945, the Russians had control of the cities of Buda and Pest. The Nazi horror came to an end, but, unfortunately, the total freedom many Hungarians envisioned, was not yet to be.

Polls indicate she is France's most popular politician

From Auschwitz horror, Mme. Simone Veil rose to French health minister

By EDWIN EYTAN

PARIS [JTA] —

Mme. Simone Veil, France's minister of health, is unusual in many ways. She is the first — and only — woman to reach cabinet rank in France. She is the only Jew with full ministerial responsibilities. She is a former Auschwitz inmate with the number 78651 tattooed on her forearm.

Despite these facts of her life, which some might consider handicaps to high public office, she has become France's most popular political figure. Recent public opinion polls gave her a six per cent edge over Premier Jacques Chirac and two per cent over opposition leader Francois Mitterand.

In an exclusive interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Mme. Veil spoke about what it was like to be a woman cabinet minister, a Jew with strong sentimental ties to Israel. (Her government's attitude toward Israel, while more friendly than in the recent past, is still ambiguous toward the Middle East and has recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization as a representative body.)

Mme. Veil has been a frequent visitor to Israel in "a private capacity." Her three sons have all visited Israel and have studied Hebrew at ulpanim there.

She joined the government last summer after the Franco-Israel rift on the arms embargo was mended, although Israeli diplomats and many Jewish organizations in France are still not happy with the government's Mideast policy. The JTA asked her if she felt more a minister or more a Jew.

Mme. Veil: There is no, there can be no such problem. I am French and a member of the French government. Emotionally, I feel close to Israel and to Jerusalem, both as a Jew and as a former deportee, but there can be no question of a double allegiance. Israel is something special to me and to my family but there is a clear distinction.

between sentimental involvement and concrete political factors.

JTA: Today it might be easy to reconcile sentiments and reason, but a few years ago?

Mme. Veil: No, it is never easy but it has to be done.

Mme. Veil does not like to speak about her concentration camp experience. Sometimes the subject crops up unexpectedly. During the debate in the French National Assembly last fall on her bill legalizing abortion in France, a deputy shouted at her: "You want to send our unborn children to the cremation ovens." Mme. Veil, whose parents and brother died in Auschwitz, slumped forward in her chair and her eyes filled with tears. The Assembly president asked her if she wanted a recess but she replied, cooly, "No, this will not be necessary," and the debate continued. Late in the night, when the vote was taken she had won and France became the first Catholic country to legalize abortion.

Simone Veil was born to an assimilated Jewish middle class family. Her father, Andre Jacob, was an architect; her mother Yvonne Steinmetz, a chemist.

'Anyone who helps another is up there with the stars'

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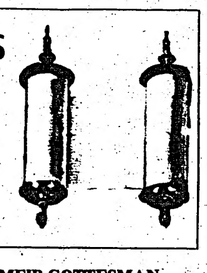


By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Lech L'cha

Lizar'acha etain et ha'aretz hazot... Unto thy seek will I give this land...

The only baloney G—d likes is the kind they sell in kosher delicatessans — but not when a Jew does or says one thing, while his heart is somewhere else...

The saintly Rabbi Nachum of Tchernoble spent a lifetime ransoming innocent Jews who had been jailed. Once, he himself was falsely accused and locked up. He wondered to himself — "is this the way G—d pays me back for helping others?"

There happened to be hidden **tzadik nistar** with him in the cell, and he consoled Rabbi Nachum. "Listen, the greatest **machnis orach,** welcomer of poor wayfarers, was our Father Abraham. But suddenly, in his old age, the Almighty said, **'lech l'cha** — you yourself become a wanderer...' Was it fair? But the Ribono shel Olam wanted Abraham to taste what it is to be a tired traveller, so that later, when he performed the mitzvah of welcoming strangers, it should be with even more feeling and **kavanah**... The same way, in the future you'll be able to ransom others with even more joy..." (Zechusa D'Avraham)

The whole Jewish people needs ransoming today. Those who have made pledges to donate money to charity or buy Israel Bonds should pay up as soon as possible. After all...you don't have to go to Cape Canaveral to be an astronaut — anyone who helps another Jew is up there with the stars. Consider...the Almighty told Abraham — "look toward the heaven and count the stars...so shall thy seed be..." But it's strange — why make such a fuss about stars, what was it, movie ratings?

Ah, but it teaches an important thing... From Toronto or Hamilton, stars look like tiny specks — but if you could climb the skies and get close, you would see that even the smallest star is bigger than the whole earth, sun and moon. The same way...when we look at a fellow Jew, he seems like a plain **Chaim Yankel** — after all, who's perfect? But up in Heaven, in the Ribono Shel Olam's eye'r, every Jew is a bright constellation... (Reb Chaim of Sanz)

But even stars get clouded over sometimes — too often the clouds that dim Jewish stars are lined with silver. What do I mean? They say the tzadik Reb Pinchas of Kuritz would wash his hands after touching money. Even Abraham had headaches... "**v'Avraham kavayd m'od**...and Abraham was — **kavaid** — heavy with wealth..." What was so heavy about it? But it was a constant burden that he shouldn't waste his life running after more and more money...

But not everyone is Abraham. This writer can hardly believe it, but I have heard reports of certain religious functionaries who — for whatever motive — have been playing footloose and free about certain critical Jewish practices dealing with **gairus,** conversion, and **gitten,** the issuing of Jewish divorces.

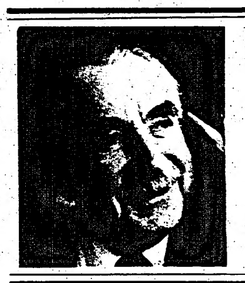
The reports I have heard is of sloppy, quicky and questionable conversions that trample Halacha...or of divorces that are issued by men ignorant of Jewish law, and of other strange practices. Is it possible, that for a few dollars, a Jew could bring another Jew to a dread state of **mamzairus** by the issuing of a questionable **get**...or a person be given the sacred title of Jew when in fact in his heart that person has little intention of accepting the Torah? I can't believe it — but that's what I've heard...

In case any of the readers of this column know of someone who is either contemplating "conversion," or needs a Jewish divorce, and is not sure as to the acceptability of the issuing Beth Din, please contact this writer. I do neither divorces nor conversions, but in five minutes I can steer anyone to a qualified authority who can deal with the matter properly, **k'das Moshe v'Yisrael**...

Shabbat Shalom.

'What a man'

Laurels to a Shapiro, a president's president



By J.B. SALSBERG

Lend me your ears, all ye friends, and listen to the thoughtful reflections of one of the most powerful of presidents. Yes, I want you to listen to what he has to say and, in this world in which people imitate those on top of the heap, you will give heed to his words and follow the example of this most envied of the establishment. Amen.

Now, the president I speak of is not the president of a Bathurst Street Synagogue, or of presidents who grace the highest office of scores of Jewish organizations and institutions. Nor, to come down in the ladder of importance, am I thinking of one of the 100 or so presidents who head ostensible republics around the world. The president I speak of is head of an institution that encircles the globe and which is more powerful, yes, much more powerful than many, a great many of the republics that boast of having a president. In other words, I speak of a president who is really a president.

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Well, so who do you think is the president of this whole establishment? Yes, my friends, it's one of our own, one who springs from the loins of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, a Jew! So help me. And what a Jew! The proud son of Lithuanian-born parents, which makes the President of E.I. Du Pont etc., etc., etc., a bit of a "Litvak," "a gezunt ihm in the beiner" (health and strength to his every bone). (With such a background he must love herring too, as all Litvaks do.) Enough is enough — he is one of ours and, which is perhaps even more important, he seems to also be one of us...

As if all that weren't enough there are a few more laurels to add to our president's brow. He is the first person, in the 175 year's history of the company, to reach the presidency of that firm from the ranks, from the bottom up. He is, of course, also the first Jew to reach that top position. And this is of more than average importance if one recalls that the E.I. DuP. etc., etc. was not always considered to be especially favorably inclined towards the Jews...

By now I can hear shouts from all sides to give his name. OK, I'll tell you: His name is just plain. Irving S. Shapiro!

No, he didn't change it. In fact, as he himself tells it, when he graduated in law one of his friends counselled him to change his name. "With a name like Irving Shapiro, you can't accomplish much in law," his friend suggested. And what do you think the future president of E.I. DuP. etc. said in reply? He, bless him, shrugged his shoulders (that's what he himself says) and said, "That name is my legacy. My father worked very hard to give me an education, to make something of me. That name is mine and I will retain it."

Golden words, No? Yes, pure gold! What a boy he was and what a man he turned out to be! It's proof that a Yiddish name, (a Jewish name) is no hindrance to success, no?

Now, that you know all about our president, what he presides over and how much I think of him; yes, even I who am not known for being soft on presidents of international cartels, now you must be beside yourself to know what of his saying and thinking that I want you to listen to. Well, I won't continue to build up the unbearable suspense. I did it only to arouse you to his wise and meaningful words. So now let me tell you...

Please be patient, my friends, be patient. It's not my fault. The editor with his measuring tape and scissors has arrived and he won't listen to my appeals. So, take it easy, my noble readers, take it easy until next week. You will be the first ones to hear it.

Letters to the Editor

Royal College defended against charges of persecution

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to the article concerning Dr. Gerald Green (**CJN,** Oct. 3, '75) on a number of points.

Dr. Green criticizes doctors for being too money-conscious. Yet, he was found guilty of professional misconduct for advertising. Has Dr. Green considered the possibility that the reason advertising is not allowed, is that medical ethics condemn dollar-seeking through business-like announcements? If the doctor is so anti-financial interest, why, indeed did he seek to increase his practice (and hence, his remuneration) through publicity?

Dr. Green claims that the College of Physicians and Surgeons used the ad "as a pretext to persecute him for his innovativeness." Although I don't feel the medical establishment (Royal College) is beyond reproach, I do submit it has a responsibility to protect the public from unproven treatment modalities.

How many double-blind clinical trials has the doctor conducted? Why has the public not heard of Dr. Green's successes with chelation through well-documented medical literature? New developments with adequate substantiation don't need personal endorsements in newspapers if they are worthy and effective. Is orthomolecular medicine yet another "cure" (like the cancer "cures") which will falsely raise the hopes of patients with hardening of the arteries, only to turn out tragically wrong? Or does Dr. Green call demands for scientific standards "narrow-minded"?

The statement in the article that "to the medical establishment... (Dr. Green) must be fought and vanquished," implies a personal vendetta, wherein the charge and penalty were excessive because of Dr. Green's iconoclastic views. The well-informed reader would know that in several instances "establishment" physicians have been brought before the discipline committee of the Royal College and been similarly charged and punished.

Although criticisms of the food and drug industries are well-taken, I challenge the article's general impression of a compassionate, outspoken, non-conformist being unfairly persecuted by the "conservative" medical establishment on the basis of Dr. Green's questionable motives for advertising; the college's duty to ensure certain minimum standards of safety and to demand proof of a new treatment's worth, and the fact that any doctor who advertises will be reprimanded.

Marshall Korenblum, M.D.
Toronto Ont.

Dear Editor:

I was deeply disturbed by your article, "Arab workers from areas may destroy 'moral basis' of Jewish farm settlements" (Sept. 26). It reports a trend in Israeli life, apparently a growing trend, of leaving the dirty and difficult work of society to cheap Arab labor. The trend also seems to be getting quite advanced in the kibbutzim. Nothing could be more true than your headline. Every other principle is morally less fundamental to the actual resettlement of the Jewish homeland than the principle of labor. The principle of labor, especially Jewish labor, is the basis for the effort to rebuild and sustain an actual Jewish society; it is its moral groundwork.

All ideals — democracy, socialism, equality, and others — would never have been realized in Israel if they had not been built upon principles of labor. The land of Israel belongs to the Jews by a spiritual right and claim which transcends history. But if we are to have actual possession of it, by a simpler moral right, we must love the land enough to work it, and we must not hope to hold the land if we will not touch it.

It is quite evident to morally concerned Jews that we must share our land in some way with the Arabs whose homeland is Palestine. But our homeland will always be called Israel. It is no longer a matter of either/or; it is one of both/and. But if we are to demonstrate our rights to self-determination, more and not less of us must work upon the land, in our communities. Jewish people dwelling upon the land is a surer security than lines on maps. It is not a matter of discrimination — the Arabs have the right to work the land — it is for us a matter of self-reliance and of maintaining **our** right to work the land. Have we earned such a right only to say we never actually wanted it?

We must co-operate with the Arab community and build together, but we must not rely upon them to do our work for us, in the building of our own community as a separate, whole may of life, as the house of Zion. If we are to share the land, we must have something to give us a free and autonomous community. If we are to avoid simply taking from the Arabs and the land itself, in terms of labor, we must be somewhat exclusive to be able to demand of ourselves to work for our purpose, building a whole Jewish life, one healthy enough to share its fruits with its neighbors.

Religiously it is the land, not the state, which we love. And besides, another people persist in struggling against us for the same land. We cannot ultimately keep our state and our 'new course' if we do not as a people work, and so love, the land — as Jews. If we do not work it with our own hands, we are threatened by the institution of a relationship with the Arabs which cannot but lead to exploitation. Such a relationship is why the First Aliyah "failed" — the returnees to the homeland did not have the will to build a Jewish society from the ground. The next wave of settlers, the kibbutz builders, were disgusted by the spectacle of Jewish plantation owners.

To repeat such a brief but fatal error would have graver consequences. These consequences are two-fold: we subvert the moral basis and the dream of the course we have chosen; we make it impossible to genuinely share the land as equals, nationally. Pragmatically, we would also rely upon the Arab community's power entirely to bestow upon us our daily bread. But fundamentally, if we lose touch with the land, all we gain today is the sick and crowded technological city culture of North America.

Ken Green,
Willowdale.

Dear Editor:

B'nai B'rith is proud of the outstanding contribution that Lou Whitehouse of Yorkdale Lodge made to the rejuvenation of Hillel House as was recently reported in **The Canadian Jewish News.**

For the past 20 years this building had degenerated into a shambles that was a shame to the community. Accordingly, great credit must be attributed to Don Jubas who, as chairman of the Hillel Advisory Board, seized the initiative and by his persistence overcame the resistance to correcting the years of neglect.

As a result, nearly all the 25 lodges of the Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith then combined in a massive drive to raise the funds required to make this great project possible.

In expressing his thanks to B'nai B'rith and to Whitehouse, Ben Mayer, executive director of Hillel House reports that already the new face of Hillel has had a stimulating effect on both programing and membership.

James Harris,
President,
Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith.

Anti-Israel resolutions passed at conference in Peru have not hurt friendly relations between two nations

By Sheldon Kirshner
Staff Reporter

TORONTO —
The anti-Israel resolutions passed at the recent conference of non-aligned foreign ministers' in Lima had no negative effects on Israeli-Peruvian relations, according to Stephan S. Zisman, Peru's new honorary Consul-General in Toronto.

Zisman, who took up his duties here last May, says that the plethora of pro-Arab motions tabled at the meeting did not undermine the close relations existing between the two disparate countries. As one of the nations that adopted the 1947 Palestine partition plan, Peru has no intention of abandoning Israel, despite intense pressure from her Arab and Asian friends, he stressed.

He attributes Israel's popularity in the 500,000-square mile Andean land to the Israeli agricultural, irrigation and transportation experts who made deserts bloom and organized bus co-operatives.

A native of Russia who lived in Lima for 18 years before immigrating to Canada, Zisman performs an assortment of duties as Peru's representative in Canada's second largest metropolis.

In addition to granting visas, renewing passports, legalizing documents, recording births and deaths of local Peruvians and encouraging tourism, Zisman is responsible for promoting trade between Peru and Canada.

Peru, the world's leading exporter of fish products, shipped tuna, beans, coffee and minerals to Canada to the tune of $13.4 million in 1974. Ottawa, in turn, exported $64.6 million worth of baby chicks, skim milk powder, asbestos, newsprint and other products to the country that was once the centre of the Inca empire and, until 1821, was a Spanish colony.

A consulting economist, Zisman spends about 10 hours a week pursuing his diplomatic and consular chores. He does not, however, consider himself a diplomat. Nevertheless, Zisman admits that his title offers him the opportunity to meet an array of interesting Canadians in a position to provide him with insights on the country he now calls home.

Stephan Zisman, the Peruvian honorary consul-general in Toronto, is trying to promote trade and tourism. A native of Russia who once lived in Israel, Zisman is a consulting economist. His midtown apartment is filled with intricate Spanish furniture and attractive Peruvian antiques. Zisman's stories of Peruvian Jewish history are fascinating. (El-Baz)

Zisman is a keen student of Peruvian Jewish history.

The first Jews arrived in Peru several hundred years ago, but they were assimilated into the mainstream of Peruvian Catholic society. The modern history of the community began in the mid-19th century, when a group of Central European professionals settled in Lima and established La Sociedad de Beneficencia in 1870, he said.

When the community celebrated its 100th anniversary, not one of the descendants of the founders considered themselves Jewish. They had all intermarried with the native Peruvians.

One of the offsprings of the defunct community was Gladys Zender, Miss Universe of 1957, Zisman disclosed.

Yet Ashkenazic Jews were not the only ones inclined towards intermarriage. In 1880, a colony of North African Jews, led by a merchant named Victor Israel, created a community in the Amazon city of Iquitos. Many members of the community married Catholics, with the result that Iquitos' most prominent citizens today are of Jewish ancestry.

In spite of the inroads intermarriage has made, Peruvian Jewry is alive and well, in the view of Zisman. Many of the 5,000 Jews are in the textile and building industries, but a considerable number are professionals. Zisman himself owned a textile mill in Lima.

The community boasts of more synagogues than it really needs and of a Jewish high school attended by about 80% of the Jewish youth, he added.

Anti-Semitism is rare, if non-existent, because Peru prides itself on being an inter-racial society where Spaniards, Indians, mixed bloods and Europeans live side by side.

The community itself is far more unified today than it was 50 or 100 years ago. In the past, Jews distinguished themselves as Germans, East Europeans or Sephardim and largely lived insular lives. Now, the community is not so fragmented along ethnic or national lines, he explained.

Interestingly, the community maintains cordial ties with the ethnic Arab colony in Peru. Zisman confided that one of his best friends in Lima was the honorary consul-general of Jordan.

Zisman himself came to Peru in 1953 after spending time in Israel. Instead of staying in Tel Aviv for a few weeks as he originally had intended, he remained in the Jewish state for six years with his brother, who had immigrated in 1939. He worked as an economist for the government, and met and married his wife, Asia, there. His two sons were born in Israel but his daughter, Liza was born in Lima.

In his spare time, Zisman, a tall, lanky man, reads, collects stamps and plays tennis with Efraim Raviv, the Israeli trade commissioner in Canada.

Hadassah Bazaar makes beating inflation a treat

TORONTO —
October is not only known for its glorious display of fall foliage, but also as the month when bargain-seekers, inflation-beaters and fall fair fanatics fight their way through the cheerful bedlam of the world's largest one-day, family-style exhibition — the Hadassah Bazaar.

Now making its 51st season, the bazaar, Oct. 29 at the Automotive Building Exhibition Park still features the traditional favorites — handicrafts, fashions, bargains, entertainment and, the great drawing power, food.

Bazaar chairwomen Fran Binder and Pearl Greenbaum who co-ordinate the volunteer efforts of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO's 3800 members, explain that the bazaar proceeds are directed to medical, educational and human-care services for Israeli mothers and children.

Recipients are needy students at the Canadian co-educational agricultural school at Nahalal and disabled children at Asaf Harofe Rehabilitation Centre and Hospital.

Beating inflation can be fun, say the bazaar's organizers, and they have a variety of activities and 300 booths geared to just that. Handicraft buys offer the shopper a range of one-of-a-kind items made by Hadassah members: crocheted and knitted goods, ceramics, jewelry, hooked rugs and quilts.

Boutiques will cater to those seeking clothing bargains for all ages. The annual crowd pleasers, raffles on TV, free dinners, theatre tickets, high quality antiques, the non-stop auction, are all back this year.

So are the popular booths serving thirsty shoppers at a pub and cocktail lounge and hungry visitors at 20 snack bars and restaurants offering everything from home baked cakes to blintzes and cabbage rolls.

Admission is $1 (pre-schoolers free) and tickets are available at Eaton's Attraction Ticket Offices and Salsberg Ticket Agency. Every ticket offers the buyer a chance in the draw for a 1976 Ford Mustang II.

Leah Rabin to address 400 delegates at Pioneer Women's 50th anniversary

OTTAWA —
Over 400 delegates are expected to attend the national convention of Pioneer Women, Oct. 26-28, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Zionist group.

Leah Rabin

Tamar Eshel

Coinciding with International Women's Year, the convention at the Holiday Inn, here, will feature two distinguished Israeli women as guest speakers: Leah Rabin, wife of the prime minister, and Tamar Eshel, general secretary of International Pioneer Women and widow of a former ambassador of Israel to Canada.

Also addressing the Jubilee celebration will be Mme. Renaude Lapointe, speaker of the Senate, and Jordan Pearlson, rabbi of Temple Sinai Congregation.

Panel discussions on Mideast current events and issues will present such guest participants as liberal MP Herb Gray, Yosef Yaacov, consul, Israeli embassy and Prof. Eugene Rothman of Carleton University.

Highlight of the anniversary convention will be a film presentation narrated by actor Lorne Greene in honor of his mother Dora, a founder member of Pioneer Women in Ottawa.

The organization is part of a 13-country network involved in social action and community life at home, as well as social services for Jewish and Arab women and children in Israel.

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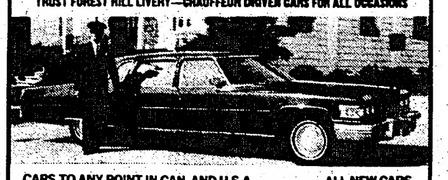

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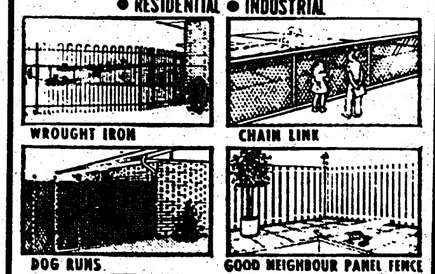

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Haifa U. expands Arab studies in an effort to create dialogue

By S.K. LAZAROV

TORONTO — Mt. Carmel-based Haifa University is an involved university.

"We're not stiff or traditional," said Eliezer Rafaeli, the president, who was recently here to honor a speaking engagement. "We feel the university has a role to play in the formation of Israeli society," added the 49-year-old veteran of the War of Independence.

In its quest to be involved in the daily whirl of Israeli life, Haifa University, founded 12 years ago, has established what Rafaeli believes to be a set of unique academic programs geared to produce greater numbers of Arab and Oriental Jewish graduates, and more managerial talent.

In recognition of the fact that the majority of Israel's 400,000 Arab citizens live in the northern half of the country, Haifa University has expanded the scope of its Arab Jewish Centre in an effort to encourage Arab youth to pursue post-secondary education.

"We decided to try to create an atmosphere of dialogue between Arabs and Jews," said the Columbia M.A. graduate. "And the fascinating thing is that it's working." Citing statistics, Rafaeli disclosed that half of the Israeli Arabs eligible for university-level courses study at Haifa University.

Rafaeli, a seemingly tough, pudgy man who was appointed president in 1973 after being with the university in an administrative capacity for 10 years, has no illusions about the effectiveness of the Arab Jewish Centre. He realizes that the political opinions of radical Arab Israelis may not necessarily change despite the university's good intentions.

"There are highly nationalistic Arabs studying at the university and yet the encounter is verbal," he remarked in an interview at the downtown office of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University. "We've created the phenomenon of co-existence without giving up our identities. We're creating a new generation of people who can listen to each other."

With a view to upgrading opportunities for Israel's Oriental Jews, who comprise more than half of Israel's Jewish population, Haifa University two years ago set up a network of "consulates" in northern development towns.

The rationale underlying the plan is deceptively simple. Sixty per cent of all Israeli students come from Sephardic backgrounds, yet only 11% graduate from university. Since development towns are largely populated by Sephardim, Rafaeli explained, it was only natural to establish direct ties between the university and the towns, in the hope of encouraging Oriental youth to seek higher education.

Eliezer Rafaeli

The links between the university and the towns are forged by advanced students or graduates who are actually from or living in their specific community, and are, therefore, familiar with the local residents and their problems.

"The role of the consuls is to spy, to bring the people of these areas to the university and to make university services available in the areas themselves," he noted.

At the present moment, the program has four part-time consuls who serve in the Shlomi, Beit Shean and Tirat HaCarmel districts. If financial resources are available, the university would employ 10 fulltime consuls, said Rafaeli.

Haifa University also runs a community leadership program closely aligned to the aforementioned project. The idea here, revealed Rafaeli, is to educate the leaders of development towns. "We're trying to create leadership from within," he said. "The trouble with the Oriental community is that their leaders did not immigrate to Israel. The poor ones came to Israel."

The leaders in question range in age from 25 to 45 and, while they are unknown on the national scene, they figure prominently in municipal affairs. Rafaeli claims that, as a result of their native intelligence and demonstrated leadership qualities, the university does not have to lower its entry requirements to accommodate them.

According to him, 150 students will be studying within the framework of this program in 1975-76.

Through the Centre for Maritime Studies, Haifa University will attempt to be involved in yet a third — and completely different but just as crucial aspect of Israeli life.

"One of our most tragic problems so far has been our inability to create good managers," he said. "We've got good farmers, soldiers and scientists — but not good managers. It's a fact that the administrative system is not overwhelming rich with success."

Elaborating, Rafaeli said that Israel possesses the seventh largest merchant marine fleet in the world but that her ability to police and adminster it is limited. The university's course on port management will hopefully alleviate this problem, he said.

All those projects, in Rafaeli's view, prove that Haifa University, with its 5,900 students, has indeed embarked on a broadly conceived program to bring the benefits of higher education to the masses, whether they live in remote development towns or big cities.

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Recession benefiting the American resort industry, Grossinger's owner claims

By S.K. LAZAROV

TORONTO — North America is in the grips of the longest and most serious recession in 35 years. Unemployment has skyrocketed and personal consumption has plummetted. Yet in spite of the gloomy economic indicators, business has never been better for Grossinger's Hotel and Country Club, and other American resorts, according to Elaine Grossinger Etess.

Mrs. Etess, the 47-year-old executive vice-president of the vast resort complex in Liberty, New York, says Grossinger's is enjoying its most successful season in 61 years of operation.

"We've had such a fantastic summer, and we anticipate an equally successful fall season," she said in an interview. Mrs. Etess was in Toronto to drum up business for the 1,200-acre resort, which is expected to attract some 340,000 guests this year, of whom about 21,000 will be Canadians.

In her view, the American hotel industry has never seen such good times because many holiday makers, hit fairly hard by the deepening recession, have abandoned soaringly expensive European vacations and have instead flocked to hotels in their own backyard. Naturally, Grossinger's has benefited from this reverse exodus, she explained.

Elaine Grossinger Etess, executive vice-president of Grossinger's Hotel and Country Club, says American resorts are having a good year because of recession which has resulted in many people not going abroad.

Grossinger's, whose rates range from $41 to $56 per day for room and board, caters mainly to Jewish vacationers. But non-Jews have found refuge there, too.

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Mrs. Etess, who owns Grossinger's with her brother Paul, attributes their success to the family ambiance that pervades the hotel, which grossed $12 million last year. "It's a home away from home for our guests," she said. "The decor is warm and the staff is helpful."

Grossinger's was founded by the late Harry and Jennie Grossinger. Jennie was something of a legend in her own time, the quintessential Jewish mama who devoted her life to pleasing generations of vacationers fleeing from the stifling cities to savor the fresh, clean air offered by this Catskills resort.

Elaine Grossinger Etess was expected to be like her irrepresible mother after Jennie died at the age of 80, two years ago. "I found it difficult when she passed away, but I soon realized I couldn't emulate mother," she confided. "I established my own ways and methods."

Judging by the success Grossinger's has had since Jennie's death, Elaine Grossinger Etess has acquitted herself well.

In fact, she has expanded the scope of one of Jennie's most admired innovations — the Singles Weekends, which are held four times a year.

"Lots and lots of marriages have resulted from them," she said. From her vantage point, Mrs. Etess observes that courting habits have undergone tremendous changes over the years. Women, for example, are far freer today than their mothers. And the room clerks do not cross-examine couples who look suspiciously unmarried.

"We don't ask for marriage certificates," she laughed. "I don't set moral standards for my children, and I certainly won't do it for my guests," she said.

Although she lives on the grounds throughout the year, her husband, Dr. A. David, a psychiatrist, practices in New York City. They see each other on the weekends.

The Etess' have three children, a daughter and two sons. Mark, 23, is already involved in the business while Mitchell hopes to be a sports broadcaster.

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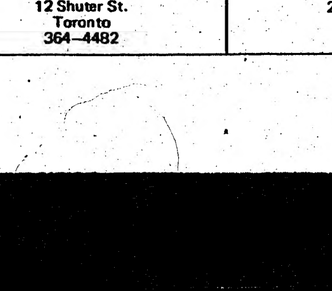
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Question agitated official of International Music Council

Why do Soviets hinder Jewish musical careers?

music

By RICK KARDONNE

Toronto was the 1975 host city for World Music Week, the bi-annual convention of the International Music Council, a non-governmental organization dedicated to the principles of international exchange of ideas among musicians.

President of the IMC is Yehudi Menuhin, the well-known Jewish violinist, who performed in Ottawa as part of the conference (he will appear in a Toronto Symphony concert Dec. 9) and who held a press conference as part of the convention.

Since one of the two vice-presidents of the IMC (also present at the press conference) is Boris Yarustovski from the USSR, I raised the question concerning Soviet Jewish musicians who were not only refused permission to emigrate from Russia, but were also not even permitted to tour abroad in the same way that gentile Russian musicians are allowed.

At first, Yarustovski ducked the question, stating that more Russian musicians are touring the world now than ever before. When I pursued the issue, specifically referring to Jewish musicians whose careers in the USSR were hindered by official anti-Semitism, Yarustovski, talking in Russian, became visibly agitated, at which time the chairman of the press conference, Canada's John Roberts (not the MP) promptly asked for other

Yehudi Menuhin

questions on other matters.

Before Yarustovski's non-response, Yehudi Menuhin stated that he himself firmly opposed such injustices, and that while he was in Moscow four years ago, he had himself raised the matter with a high Soviet cultural affairs official.

On other subjects, Menuhin publicly praised Maureen Forrester as "one of the greatest artists in the world," and also had high praise for Canadian composer Harry Somers, whose **Music for Solo Violin** (commissioned by Menuhin) was performed by Yehudi Menuhin, (along with two Bach pieces), at his Oct. 1 performance in Ottawa.

The most significant and far-reaching announcement of the press-conference concerned the establishment of regional music centres throughout the world for the exchange of musical ideas among musicians. Such regional centres will include Africa, Asia, Europe, etc; the African regional centre director was present there. Since the IMC is under the auspices of UNESCO, I voiced my opinion that it not degenerate into the kind of crude anti-Israel forum that has afflicted so many other UN agencies. Yehudi Menuhin fervently assured me that this would not be the case, and that the leading Israeli composers and musical figures (he specifically referred to Joseph Tal) are in enthusiastic co-operation with IMC and all of its programs and aims.

To concretely support Menuhin's concrete statements and principles of including Israel as a firm pillar of IMC, one of the featured speakers during the concurrent International Exhibition of Music for Broadcasting (held for the first time in North America under the auspices of the IMC on behalf of the International Music Centre in Vienna) was Mrs. Michal Smoira-Cohen, chairman of the Israel Broadcasting Authority.

In a provocative, no-holds-barred vital address with implications far beyond this convention, Mrs. Cohen stated that much of modern music has become sterile because it has mostly abandoned contact with the live audience, withdrawing into the mechanistic cocoon of the recording studio. This belief, to which I wholly subscribe, has implications not only to serious music but also to much of pop, jazz and especially the so-called "progressive" avant-garde (which becomes increasingly moribund each year). Right on, Mrs. Michal Smoira-Cohen.

In between his directing jobs Sheldon Patinkin teaches acting and works on his three novels

theatre

By JENIVA BERGER

Second City's Sheldon Patinkin isn't a director with a lot of time on his hands but his output hasn't suffered because of it.

The 40-year-old who moved to Toronto from New York a year ago has already co-directed several of Second City's more luminous hits and is currently at the helm of its newest treat **Also Available in Paperback** while the musical show he conceived and directed, **Puttin' On The Ritz,** has settled in comfortably upstairs at the same theatre, The Firehall Restaurant.

In between his directing jobs, he runs to acting classes at the theatre and is anxious to get on with one of three novels he's written, all of them in the draft stage.

If all this has caused any fragmentation of personality, it doesn't show. Sheldon may have the theatrical palor which comes from spending the better part of the day inside a dark theatre and when he looks at the sun he squints as if they hadn't been properly introduced, but his psyche glows with self-confidence.

A native Chicagoan, Sheldon grew up somewhat of a wonder kid which must have made him the darling of his 500 relatives in the windy city. He was a child opera singer, then a concert pianist, was educated at the esoteric University of Chicago High School and studied to be a rabbi until he was 17 years old.

At that tender age he joined a group of young actors at the university who were doing strange and funny things on the little stage. The group, The Playwrights Theatre Club, was soon to become the rage of the south side and the kernel of the original Second City. Sheldon started on his life long love affair with improvisational satire.

He stayed in Chicago until 1968, finished most of his Ph.D. in English, directed The Second City Company for six years as well as a score of operas there and around the country, then packed up and moved to New York City.

"I was enormously successful," Sheldon says without a trace of artifice.

He directed, taught acting at the American Academy of Dramatic Art and wrote film scripts. One of the scripts was **Loving,** which was made into a critically acclaimed film starring Eva Marie Saint and George Segal. Later on, he and his old friend from Second City days, Alan Arkin wrote the film adaptation of the play **Jimmy Shine** as well as the adaptation of a Kurt Vonnegut novel, **Player Piano,** both for Columbia Pictures. "They paid us a lot of money but never produced the films," Sheldon says with an equal amount of amusement and acidity.

After writing the earlier version of Bernstein's **Candide** which was a "total disaster," Sheldon withdrew for a year, spent every penny he had plus more, then rallied his forces and formed The Ensemble Theatre Company, the first off-Broadway theatre company to obtain grants.

"I built it and left it" he says as if he were talking about a sand castle on the beach. "I had to go somewhere where I could work with considerably more space of mind than I had in New York."

He found it in Toronto along with Second City and a wealth of young talent which scarcely failed to impress him though the vehicles in which they were performing, didn't.

"There are three kinds of theatre here," he says, "the establishment in which the performers emote rather than act, the alternative theatre which sometimes does some very exciting stuff, and there's our level, basically cabaret. To me it's the best theatre in town.

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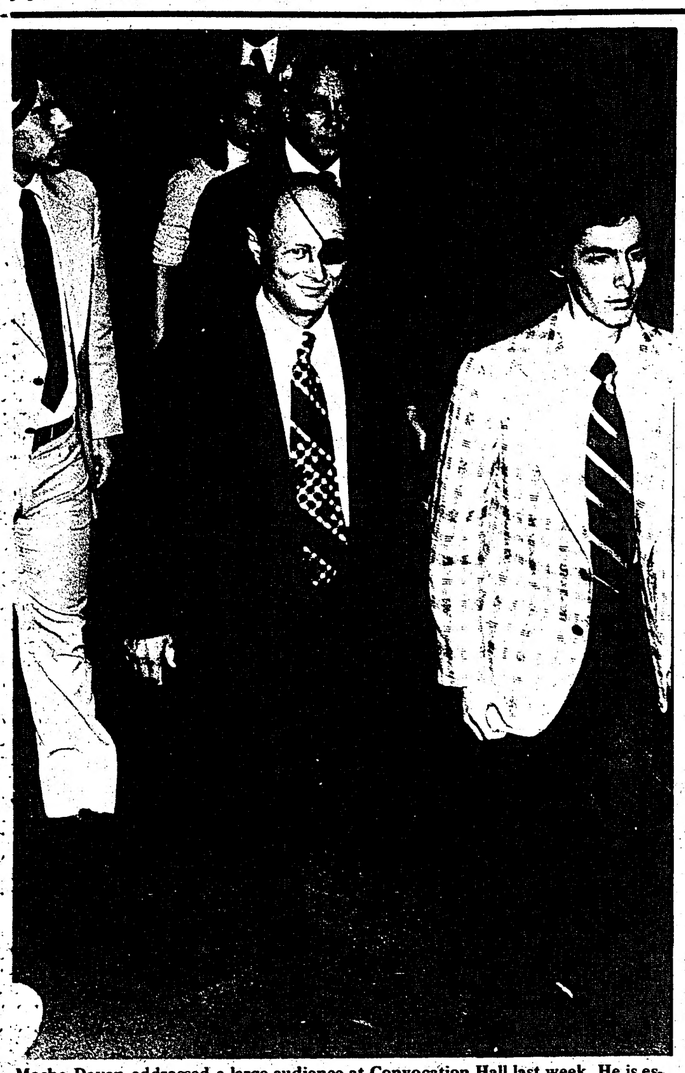

Moshe Dayan addressed a large audience at Convocation Hall last week. He is escorted to the speakers' podium by security men and University of Toronto Student Administrative Council representative. Dayan, former Israeli minister of defence, attacked new Sinai accord, called for Syrian and Russian participation in Middle East talks and defended himself against charges that he was one of the persons responsible for initial Israeli setbacks in 1973 war. (David Groskind)

U.S. Senate approves technicians

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Avraham Kidron, one of the signers of the accord, said an Israeli cargo would go through the canal by the end of this month.

Shortly before the Senate voted approval, President Ford told a press conference that the recruiting of the technicians would begin soon and he stressed they would be civilians. The Senate version, like that of the House, specified that approval of the technicians did not commit the United States to any other assurances or undertakings, to either Israel or Egypt, in connection with the Sinai accord.

Specifically, the resolution declared that approval of the technicians "does not signify approval of the Congress of any other agreement, undertaking or commitment made by the Executive branch." The pracitical meaning of that passage is that the Ford administration's undertakings to Egypt and Israel are, in the view of Congress, only "intentions" of President Ford and are "not binding" on the United States as a country.

The Congressional resolution also specifies that the technicians must be pulled out if fighting breaks out between Israel and Egypt, or if Congress decides that their monitor role is no longer necessary. Another limitation in the resolution is that Congress does not give to President Ford any additional authority to use military forces overseas beyond what he now has on a limited basis under the War Powers Act.

Some Senators reportedly interpreted the administration's undertakings in the new accord as meaning that the president's "intentions" are his to carry out if he so wishes but are not binding on his successors. Thus it would appear that as long as he is in office, President Ford is responsible for trying to implement the undertakings made by him through Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, including the 16-point memorandum with Israel concerning oil, defence equipment and diplomatic support.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency was told that any commitment involving U.S. personnel, services, finance or materials to a foreign nation must first be approved by Congress. The undertakings by Ford and Kissinger in the accord will be presented by Congress in one form or another in the coming weeks, mainly in projected foreign aid programs for Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Syria.

That program has been delayed since last March when President Ford ordered a reassessment of U.S. policy in the Middle East. The reassessment was widely regarded as aimed at Israel because of its refusal at that time to accept formulas for a second withdrawal in the Sinai proposed through Kissinger.

Givens warning

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As well as equating Israel with the survival of world democracy, Givens stressed its importance to a Diapora Jewry faced with growing assimilation, conversion, and interfaith marriages.

"The emotional link between the homeland and Diaspora is regarded by some as pathological," he said, "as an umbilical cord which creates dependency. But, if this focal point of Jewish energy disappears we could not survive. Israel remains the bright hope of Jewish survival in the Diaspora."

Although Givens' speech was weighted with serious overtones, he introduced his lecture with levity and self-deprecating humor.

He admitted that the original motives for accepting the speaking assignment were partly personal, since he had estimated the Ontario provincial election would be called in mid-October, after this address.

And he glibly asked, what was he to do with a captive Jewish audience now that his seat had been won?

Dayan is pessimistic

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After recapitulating the primary aspects of the Arab-Israeli struggle since 1948, Dayan disclosed that the Israeli cabinet decided to launch an attack against Egypt in 1957 after being told by President Lyndon Johnson that the United States could do nothing about the Egyptian blockade of the Straits of Tiran and Gulf of Aqaba.

Referring to current peacemaking attempts, Dayan said he was glad to hear President Ford declare he would not tolerate stagnation in negotiations between Israel and her Arab neighbors.

In a remark that may have surprised some of the audience, Dayan observed that Anwar Sadat is not "the same fanatic leader as Nasser," and stated he believed the Egyptians "are ready to negotiate instead of fighting."

As he put it, sardonically: "They realize Dr. Kissinger can give them more land than their army." That remark drew waves of laughter.

In his speech, Dayan did not refer once to his controversial handling of the Yom Kippur War. In reply to several pointed questions, he said Israel was, in fact, prepared for the Arab onslaught on Oct. 6 but that intelligence misinterpreted the information.

"If the army had been unprepared, we wouldn't have pushed the Syrians to Damascus and the Egyptians across the Suez Canal," he said.

In other observations in the course of the 1½ hour meeting, sponsored by the Student Administrative Council of the University of Toronto, Dayan noted the U.S. would not abandon Israel for the sake of oil and would oppose the creation of a Palestinian state in the occupied Arab territories.

Dayan, a Labor member of Knesset who spends much of his time writing his memoirs, for which he is being paid $460,000 by an American publisher, complimented himself at one point by remarking: "There's not anybody who knows as much about the Middle East as I do. I've lived through wars and negotiations."

Phys Ed instructors try to beat ancient tradition

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Three years ago studies done by the Hebrew University in Jerusalem indicated that only 3% of Israelis were physically active.

Today, after intensive exposure in the media extolling the pleasures of being physically active during leisure time and the mass-issuing of pamphlets on everything from diet to exercise, this figure has been boosted to 15%.

The project is called SABRA (an acronym from "young, healthy, and alive at any age"), and is considered by Dr. Hillel Ruskin, head of the physical education department at the Hebrew University, to be the most important undertaking of the department in the 20 years he has been associated with the institution.

Dr. Ruskin is currently on a two-year sabbatical with the Jewish Welfare Board in New York where he will try to establish a similar program in the YMHA's and community centres throughout America. He was a guest speaker at the 8th annual conference of directors of YMHA physical education departments in Canada and the United States, held recently at the Snowdon Branch of the Montreal 'Y'.

SABRA was begun by the Israeli government in 1972 in collaboration with the Hebrew University and a committee of experts, of which Dr. Ruskin is national chairman. Its goal was to motivate adults to spend more of their spare hours in less sedentary pastimes.

"Our studies found that Israelis are not as active as their image infers. Leading cardiologists in the country have found that 50% of deaths in Israel are due to diseases of the heart and blood vessels. This can be the result of several factors — diet, heredity, stress, inactivity. We felt that physical activity would be the easiest to control," Dr. Ruskin said.

Although there is no firm criterion for measuring what "active" actually is, the university considers one to two hours a week of exercise to be the norm.

SABRA is just one of a number of services offered to the public by the Hebrew University physical education department, which operates in co-operation with the school of medicine.

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"Israelis think they're smart guys. They know it all, they don't need to exercise. The old European generation always thought of fitness as unimportant. The Sabra thinks the physical side of life is unneeded in modern society," said Dr. Ruskin, who is considered a maverick in Israel.

Compulsory army training has had little effect on the Israeli's attitude to exercise, he says.

"The men spend three years, the women two years in the forces. After that, they begin to deteriorate, they start to become wise guys again."

In the high schools and elementary schools, physical development is the "last priority" of educators.

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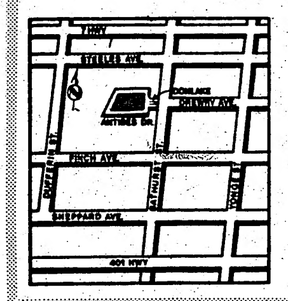

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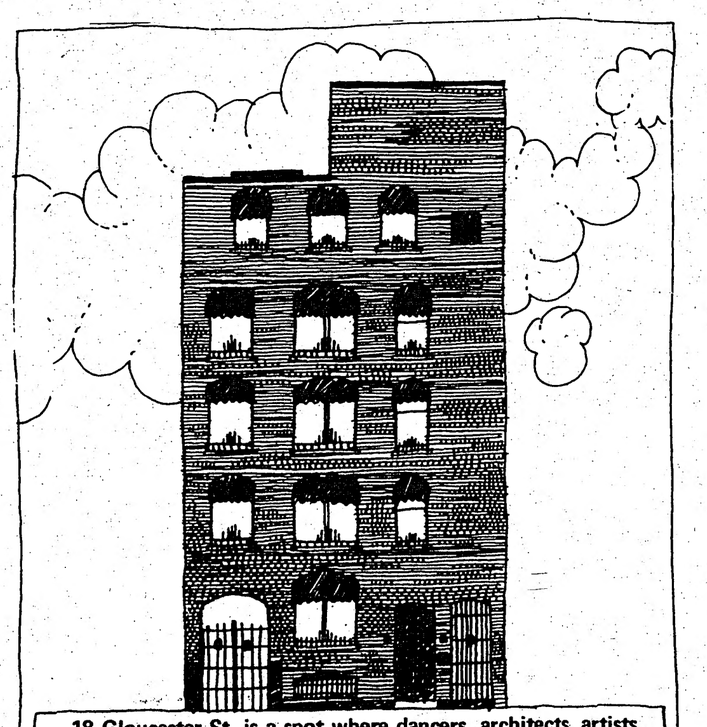

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Discuss marriage in 70's

By NANCY SCHWARTZ

TORONTO — At times it's like working on a jig-saw puzzle without all the pieces. It's Reesa Kassirer's job to make the pieces fit — she's a family therapist with the Addiction Research Foundation.

Mrs. Kassirer feels that although many people are experimenting with various unconventional lifestyles, marriage is here to stay. But, she says, "To survive it must inevitably take on different shapes."

Recently at a program sponsored by the Toronto Section, National Council of Jewish Women, Mrs. Kassirer demonstrated that many marriages need to embrace healthy, new patterns. She used volunteers from the 100 people attending the program at the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization House - to exhibit some of the emotional parts people play in a relationship.

Among the roles shown were the domineering father who crushes - all those around him, the passive, dependant mother who adds to everyone else's burden, and the couple who lean on each other so much that when one breaks away, the other falls helplessly.

In what Mrs. Kassirer termed a healthy pattern, the family needs one another but should remain intact if someone breaks away.

As the audience saw each successive child trying to find a place for himself within the family structure, the damage unwittingly done to children became all too apparent.

"When we have children we're a little happy and very frightened, but we never say we won't love them or that we will make them unhappy," she said. "But children learn early that it isn't acceptable to express discomfort of a situation, that it's better to go along with it, and this situation carries into adulthood."

This was the first in a series of comprehensive programs entitled "Focus: The Family Circle."

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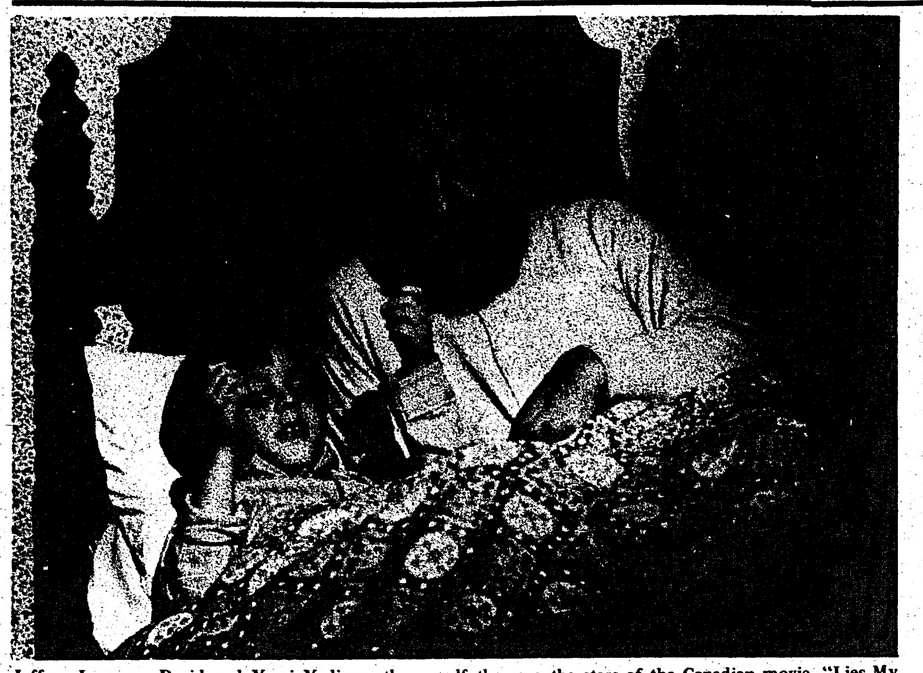

Jeffrey Lynas as David and Yossi Yadin as the grandfather are the stars of the Canadian movie, "Lies My Father Told Me," now playing in Montreal and Toronto. It is based on Ted Allan's childhood in Montreal.

Allan's Lies My Father Told Me

flawed, yet sensitive, charming

film

By JENIVA BERGER

Lies My Father Told Me, Ted Allan's peripatetic short story which has been adapted to just about every medium since it first appeared in **The Canadian Jewish Congress Bulletin** in 1949, has finally made the transformation to a feature film.

After three years in the making, severe money problems, casting difficulties and technical drawbacks, the film opened on Oct. 2 at the Towne Cinema.

Certainly it's a movie that has many lovely moments, some superb photography by Paul Van Der Linden, and a story line which, though basically fragile, is sensitive and charming. But its stop-and-go experiences have flawed it. There's a truncated feel to many of the sequences and, along with that, perhaps as a result of uncertainty on director Jan Kadar's part as to which route to take, an on-and-off stridency which becomes abrasive and annoying.

Allan's biographical story takes place in downtown Montreal in 1923 as seen through the eyes of a young Jewish boy enamored of his stately zaida who supports the household by buying and selling junk. Zaida's horse Ferdeleh, a loyal beast who has the misfortune to smell up the neighborhood, completes the trilogy of boy, grandfather, and grandson bucking neighbors and family.

The boy, David, is steadily disenchanted with his father, an ambitious new world schemer whose cockeyed business ventures seem destined to failure and who constantly derides his wife's father for his old fashioned ways and religiosity though he's not above asking him for money. Zaida says to David at one point that his father's berating "are all lies, but don't ever call your father a liar."

Herein lies the crux of the film. David can never believe what his father tells him, even when he informs the boy of his zaida's death.

It's a slender thread on which to build a film but Kadar, as Allan did, plumps it out with a microcosmic view of a tight little Jewish community. The beauty of the film is the absorbing milieu of Allan's urban shtetl, a sensual, contained world long gone, and the fragments of charm which flit in and out of the puncture. A scene which finds David and a neighboring girl examining a dog's genitals, hoping to arrive at the facts of life is quite special, while Zaida and David's sojourn through Montreal's back alleys, is a wonderful collage of color, sounds, and faces — you can almost smell the washing on the line.

But then there are scenes which are also quite superfluous; David picknicking with zaida, who quite out of the blue lapses into a song and dance, belongs to **Fiddler on the Roof,** and the quasi-surrealistic opener before the titles is fuzzy and confusing. Is it meant to be a flashback, dream or premonition?

Ted Allan steps into the film himself portraying one of the more interesting neighbors, Baumgarten, a Marxist tailor. In other supporting roles, Carole Lazare as the happy hooker, Edna, and young Cleo Paskal are both delightful.

Jeffrey Lynas as David sails through the role with honors, though with a face as expressive as his, we could have made do with half of the verbiage loaded on him. He shares the spotlight with Israeli actor Yossi Yodin, a man of tremendous warmth and dignity who gives the pictures its bulk of emotional clout.

Both Len Birman and Marilyn Lightstone as David's parents play their parts with a measure of honesty, but give larger than life stage rather than film performances.

Lies My Father Told Me needed more subtlety in treatment than it had to succeed as an ingenuous, heart-tugging film, but it has enough merit and innate appeal to make it an enjoyable trip for the nostalgic at heart.

Stone has 'sure-fire best seller' on archeologist Henry Schliemann

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Greek Treasure, By Irving Stone, Doubleday Of Canada. $12.75

Henry Schliemann is a figure of perennial fascination and it is not surprising there are numerous biographies about his life and work.

Now, the tireless Irving Stone, whose last book was a massive study of Sigmund Freud, has written a long and informative biographical novel about the hero of prescientific archeology — and his faithful wife.

Obsessed from childhood by the story of the seige of Troy as told by Homer, Schliemann in his mid-years went to Asia minor in search of the legendary city. In 1871 he began to excavate the large mound at Hissarlik, Turkey, at the mouth of the Dardenellez. To the astonishment of the world he unearthed a many-levelled site of an ancient civilization. Convinced he had discovered the city of the immortal "Iliad," he dug his way determinedly (in a manner that would have demented the modern archeologist) through the stratified remains. He was rewarded with a cache of precious artifacts.

Flushed by his success (despite the antagonism of a coterie of international scholars who never believed there was a Troy, and by the infuriating red-tape and interference of Turkish and Greek officials) he went to Greece and brought to light five royal tombs and a treasure of gold, silver, ivory and bronze. In a triumphant telegram to the King of Greece, he announced he had found the fabled tomb of Agememnon.

Schliemann's finds and discoveries were not what he thought. But he was a gifted amateur who undeviatingly followed his hunches and managed to push back the bounds of history. In his rather primitive fashion, he made possible the more scientific approach to archeology that has opened up vast areas of the past.

In his earlier years he had served as a grocer's assistant, bookkeeper and cabin boy before making one fortune as a contractor during the Crimean War and another during the California Gold Rush. He was a student of languages and found time in the midst of his frenetic life to write a dozen books about archeology.

All of this is heady and exciting stuff, and to it Stone appends the love story of Sophia, the 17-year-old Greek maiden, who married the unprepossessing Henry who was 30 years her senior. "They had worked side by side through freezing winds, burning suns, choking dusts, bouts of malaria. The hardships had only increased their love and devotion to each other."

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